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New 'Recycle More' scheme will see waste collected every three weeks

THE Somerset Waste Partnership has agreed to introduce controversial new recycling scheme in a bid to save £1.7million each year.

Approval was given on Friday, December 16th to the new 'Recycle More' weekly kerbside collections that will accept the dozen materials already collected, including food, along with plastic pots, tubs and trays – long urged by many Somerset residents – as well as household batteries and small electrical items, but will only see non-recyclable waste collected every three weeks.

Taking extra materials each week will see recycling rates jump and result in thousands of tonnes less rubbish, which will be collected every three weeks when Recycle More is rolled out across the county in several phases from late 2017, announced Somerset Waste Partnership (SWP).

After all six Somerset councils separately endorsed Recycle More in recent days, SWP's governing board of two councillors from each of those same local authorities – five districts and the county council – gave it the green light in December.

Using a range of new vehicles to suit Somerset's varied conditions and take all materials at one time, including the growing "internet avalanche" of cardboard, Recycle More will collect the light but bulky plastic food packaging in a tough new baseweighted store-flat bag.

Backed by a comprehensive communications

campaign, with a planned collection reminder app for smartphones, Recycle More is expected to recycle almost 13,000 extra tonnes of materials now being landfilled each year, cut rubbish levels significantly, and save, after initial costs, £1.7million annually.

While Recycle More will take exactly the same amount of rubbish and recycling overall, sending less rubbish to costly landfill sites offers savings when budgets met by council taxpayers for other vital services are being squeezed.

Thus, by cutting back on cash thrown away when needlessly burying what could be recycled, and offering the chance for all families to take greater responsibility for their waste, Recycle More will bring serious savings in money and materials.

Extensive experience, in-depth research and a range of popular trials with 5,000 Somerset families of all sizes and situations over several months showed that services like Recycle More create a virtuous circle", with the newly-added items prompting more recycling of all materials, from food to glass and card.

No significant problems

In a survey, more than 80 per cent of families in the trials who had three-weekly rubbish collections and extra weekly recycling found it worked so well they wanted to continue with the same service.

With research showing no significant problems with three weekly rubbish collections, SWP guidance for Recycle More will be unchanged: recycle every bit of food, double bag smelly waste, rinse all containers, keep waste bins, boxes and bags in the shade, and ask for – and follow – SWP advice.

Similar successful schemes of extra materials and reduced frequency rubbish collections have long been underway for millions of residents in 14 council areas across the UK, with many more expected and similar plans for parts of Devon.

Recycle More will keep communal collections from flats as they are, except that extra weekly recycling materials will be added if possible, and maintain clinical, garden and bulky waste collections, while assisted collections will continue but on the new frequency.

SWP has promised that families with children in

nappies, and other residents with additional needs such as those using adult hygiene products, will continue to get priority treatment if they require extra help in managing their waste.

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Meanwhile, over-eager recyclers who have already begun putting out extra materials, such as plastic pots, tubs and trays, are being reminded that crews will leave these behind until the new service reaches their street in one of the three phases before 2019.

Latest national figures show that after five years of growth, the latest average recycling rates slipped back from 44.9 per cent in 2014 to 44.3 per cent in 2015; Somerset's recycling rate is already at 52 per cent and Recycle More looks set to see that jump in the next few years.

Somerset Waste Board chairman Councillor Derek Yeomans said: "Recycle More is a huge step forward for Somerset residents to maximise recycling minimise residual waste, and make big savings to invest in other vital services.

"If people recycle all they can, including every scrap of food, they will have very few problems, but if anyone does face difficulties after Recycle More starts, they just need to ask their local council for advice or extra help."

For more information about Recycle More, visit the website www.somersetwaste.gov.uk

NHS urges resident to get flu vaccination

NHS England South is urging people to get their fluvaccination jab.

Fresh statistics show that many people in vulnerable, at-risk groups have not yet had a flu jab.

Priority at-risk groups eligible for the free vaccine include those aged over 65, those under 65 but who have a long-term condition, pregnant women and children aged from two to five years old

Nigel Acheson, Regional Medical Director of NHS England South, said: "The uptake of the jab so far is encouraging with some improvements on last year, but there are many who would benefit who are still not protecting themselves by being vaccinated."



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HUSBAND AND WIFE FOUND DEAD

Police probe suspected murder-suicide at couple's country home

POLICE have launched an investigation into a suspected murder-suicide following the discovery of the bodies of a man and a woman at a property near Honiton.

Officers attended an address in Dunkeswell on the evening of January 4th, after concerns were raised regarding the welfare of a man and woman.

On arrival officers found the 62-year-old man, named locally as Michael Beck, and his wife, Nicola, 52, dead.

Detectives have launched an enquiry into the circumstances surrounding both deaths which are being treated as a domestic related murder and suicide. The next of kin have been informed.

Police confirmed that no one else was present at the house at the time of the incident.

A guard remained at the prop-

tion and searches were conducted.

Detective Inspector Steve Davies, from the Major Crime Unit, said: "We are conducting house-to-house enquiries and have been carrying out searches at the premises today.

"We are not looking for any other person in connection with this isolated incident and can confirm that no other person was present at the premises at the time of this incident."

Neighbours say the couple lived together at the property, a five-bedroom farmhouse set in 55 acres of land.

Records show that Mr Beck was the director of three property businesses and also a fishery owner, landlord, cabinet maker and mature student.

The couple reportedly shared their time between Devon and

London but the house in Dunkeswell had been on the market for a long time – records show it was currently under offer for £895,000.

The couple's London home was in Fulham and their next door neighbour, veteran actress Gillian Rossiter, said they were not often at their London home – but she never heard them row when they were.

The 90-year-old said: "I know they had a place in Devon.

"I honestly don't know much about them because they weren't here [London] very often.

"They were very civil neighbours and we always helped each other out if necessary."

Police are appealing to anyone who may have information in relation to this incident.

Please contact police on 101, quoting reference 0229 040117.

Devon recruiting firefighters

FOR the first time in eight years, Devon and Somerset Fire & Rescue Service will be recruiting full-time firefighters.

The role of a firefighter has changed dramatically, even in recent years, with so much more to the job than putting out fires.

Assistant Chief Fire Office Glenn Askew explained the current situation, saying "We expect so much more of our firefighters in terms of their ability to adapt to a huge range of incident types and community work.

"One day a firefighter can be pulling people from fast flowing water and the next keeping our most vulnerable members of the community safe in their homes with our home fire safety checks."

Firefighters are on hand to respond to emergencies 24/7 meaning shift work is essential. There are many different roles that make up the service and each one works together to deliver the essential community and response services as efficiently and effectively as possible.

Mr Askew added: "We want to ensure that our workforce reflects both the community and the mix of skills and qualities required to do the job.

"For this recruitment process we particularly welcome applications from women as they are under-represented in our operational service.

"We also welcome applications from people who are black, Asian or minority ethnic as they are

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also under-represented in our workforce and encourage everyone to see what the fire and rescue service can offer in terms of a challenging and interesting career."

For those interested and wanting to see if they've got what it takes, Devon and Somerset Fire & Rescue Service will be running taster days in January for prospective applicants to see what it entails to be a firefighter.

The dates and how to book is available on the service website dsfire.gov.uk and information will be shared through their social media sites.

"The training will take place in August and all applicants needs to be 18 or over by August 2017.

Mr Askew concluded: "There are so many opportunities in the fire and rescue service for staff to progress their career. You can be a specialist in a number of areas and there is a career path that can lead you all the way to Chief Fire Officer. I have never looked back and have loved every minute of being in the fire and rescue service."

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Council concerns over poor new housing

EAST Devon District Council (EDDC) is so "troubled by" the "poor quality" of new housing that it is asking for urgent action.

One of the councillors involved, Douglas Hull from Axminster, hopes other councils will follow suit and turn it into a national campaign

EDDC leader Cllr Paul Diviani has turned to Oliver Colvile (Conservative MP for Plymouth Sutton & Devonport) for help

Mr Colvile chairs the All Party Parliamentary Group for Excellence in the Built Environment, which last year launched an investigation into the quality and workmanship of new-build housing in England

In a letter to Mr Colvile, dated December 22nd, Councillor Diviani wrote: "We consider ourselves to be at the forefront of increasing housing delivery in the South West, and yet are troubled by the poor quality

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of the homes that are being built.

"We feel that action is urgently needed to address this as while increasing supply is vital, it is important that high quality homes are provided.'

The letter calls for close scrutiny of the National House Building Council (NHBC), an independent standard-setting body and provider of warranty and insurance for new

NHBC says its purpose is "to work with the house-building industry to raise the standards of new homes and to provide protection for homebuyers", but EDDC is not impressed.

Councillor Diviani continued: There should be an in-depth study of the NHBC. We believe that the government should set up a team to monitor the NHBC and report for urgent action.'

Axminster district councillor Douglas Hull has been pushing for action for some time.

He said: "Poor new houses are costing a lot of people a lot of money and heartache. People are worried that if they make too much noise they will have problems reselling their houses.

"I've had complaints from all over East Devon, including Cranbrook.

"Some people have told me they will try to sell and find an older house.

He recalled attempts last year by Axminster Town Council to broker a crisis meeting between Wainhomes and furious Cherry Tree Road and Catnip Close residents, who had "serious safety concerns" over rotting fence posts and subsidence.

This Councillor Diviani's letter, and Councillor Hull also recalled the recent case of an Axminster family which had to move out of their new home on Bovis Homes' Cloakham Lawns development on two occasions so repairs could take place. He said: "I'm very pleased the letter has been written.

"I will see the MP [Neil Parish] in the new year and I will write to other councils to see if they would like to join the campaign. I hope to make it a national campaign.

A spokesperson for NHBC said: "NHBC works hard to raise standards and prevent as many issues as possible before people move into their new homes.

"We have increased our inspection force by 30 per cent in the past two years to ensure we continue to provide the necessary support for house builders. By inspecting at key stages of a property's construction we help to significantly reduce the number of defects in completed new homes across the UK.

'Our inspections are designed to help to prevent issues arising before people move in to their home and to enable NHBC to manage its risk in offering our 10-year Buildmark warranty and insurance protection.

"It is, however, ultimately the builder's responsibility to ensure that the homes they build and sell conform to the Building Regulations and NHBC's Technical Standards and they should ensure that they have adequate supervision and quality control measures in place to achieve that.

"Our inspectors are not on site at all times and are therefore unable to see every element of construction.

"We're sorry to hear that the homeowners at the development in Axminster [Cloakham Lawns] have experienced problems with their new homes and have been in contact with several homeowners at the development. NHBC's Buildmark warranty provides cover for ten years from the legal completion date against major structural issues with the home such as the floors, walls and foundations.'



Sell-out at Jethro gig

Jethro were left disappointed when tickets for his appearance at Axminster Guildhall on March 24th sold out in just 48 hours.

Tickets went on sale via the Guildhall web site last week and all went within two days.

A number of fans took to social media to express their disappointment and to ask why the tickets were not more widely advertised.

Jethro is one of the biggest names to appear at the Guildhall in recent times. He is one of the few West Country comedians to make the big time, having appeared on prime time television on many occasions.

The Guildhall manager, Anni Young, confirmed that all 340 tickets were quickly sold at £21 each.

She said the gig was announced on Jethro's website which prompted local people to book them through the Guildhall. The tickets were not even printed at that time but it was decided to open a list which accounted for virtually all the tickets. The remaning tickets went on sale from the

Guildhall last Friday.
Miss Young added: "We realise that some people were unhappy with how the tickets were sold and we will do it differently next

Jethro is also appearing at the Beehive in Honiton on March 10th, another sell-out.



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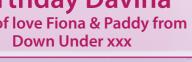


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Recruitment director named vice chairman of chamber of commerce

MANAGING director of Red Berry Recruitment, Helen Lacey, has been announced as the new vicechairman of Somerset Chamber of Commerce. having been voted in by the board of directors at the chamber's December board meeting.

A successful local business woman, Helen (pictured) has been a Somerset Chamber director for the past two years. She founded Red Berry Recruitment in 2007, which now has offices in Shepton Mallet, Yeovil and Bridgwater, and she is also chairman of the Somerset branch of the Institute of

Helen's appointment comes as a result of the previous vice-chairman, Greg Saunders from Clarke Willmott, being elected as the new chairman at the chamber annual general meeting in November. This followed the departure of Graham Knight, who stood down after completing the maximum permitted three years in the role.

Commenting on her appointment, Helen said: "A couple of years ago it was suggested by Graham Knight that I put myself forward as a potential board member for the chamber. I was delighted to be voted in and so far have enjoyed a wonderful two years on the board.

"I felt this was the right time to put myself forward for the vice-chairman role, to support Greg in taking over from the wonderful work that Graham has done and to support Dale and the chamber in whatever capacity I can. I am very much looking forward to seeing the chamber grow even more over the coming years."

Newly appointed chairman Greg Saunders, added: "I was delighted when Helen put herself forward for the role of vice-chairman. I cannot think of anyone more able for the role and she was unanimously appointed by the board. I look forward to working closely with Helen, Dale and the team to continue the ongoing fantastic work of the



Chamber in 2017 and beyond."

Somerset Chamber of Commerce is one of only five accredited Chambers in the South West and 52 in the whole of the UK. It is one of the fastest growing Chambers in the British Chambers of Commerce (BCC) network and works closely with the BCC to make sure Somerset businesses stay well connected at both a local and national level, and that the voices of the Somerset business community are heard at all levels of government.

Jobs saved at Leonardo's Yeovil base

ABOUT 400 local jobs were protected when the MOD signed a £271 million deal with Leonardo Helicopters to continue to support world-leading Wildcat helicopters.

The overwhelming majority (more than eighty per cent) of the jobs sustained will be at Leonardo's facilities in Yeovil and Royal Naval Air Station Yeovilton, the home of Wildcat training and maintenance in the UK.

Marcus Fysh, MP for Yeovil, said: "I'm working closely with the government and Leonardo to secure the long-term future of the aerospace industry in Yeovil and this £271million deal is part of that commitment.

"It will protect 400 highly-skilled jobs locally and is evidence of the MOD's ongoing relationship with Leonardo and Somerset's aerospace indus-

try.
"It was fantastic to welcome Harriet Baldwin to our town to sign this deal, to highlight Yeovil's proud tradition of supporting the helicopter industry and discuss further ways of safeguarding its future.'

Wildcat is a highly versatile aircraft, capable of a wide a range of tasks over land and sea. The Royal Navy's maritime Wildcat forms the core of the UK's Frigate and Destroyer aviation capability and performs tasks including Anti-Surface and Submarine Warfare, force protection, transport and the vital information, surveillance, target acquisition, and reconnaissance (ISTAR) role, Similarly, the Army variant performs reconnaissance, command and control, force protection, and transport roles in a wide variety of environments.

Minister for Defence Procurement, Harriett Baldwin, said: "This Wildcat deal delivers a key capability for the Royal Navy and Army, and supports vital high-skilled jobs in Somerset, where there's a proud tradition of supporting UK heli-

"Wildcat is one of the world's most advanced helicopters and an important part of the government's ten-year £178billion plan to provide our Armed Forces with the equipment they deserve.'

The five-year deal will deliver a range of support and training services for the UK's entire fleet of 62 AW159 Wildcat helicopters, currently in service with the Royal Navy and Army Air Corps. Wildcat operators include 825 and 847 Naval Air Squadron and 652 and 661 Squadron Army Air

The new Wildcat Integrated Support and Training (WIST) contract will also support jobs in Edinburgh and Luton, where Leonardo manufacture defensive aids systems, and Crawley, where subcontractor Thales UK provide support to communication and aircraft management systems.

Chief Executive Officer for the UK's Defence Equipment and Support (DE&S) Organisation Tony Douglas, said: "This agreement builds on many decades of joint working between the MOD and Leonardo helicopters, recently recognised through the signature of a Strategic Partnering Arrangement with the company. The deal for Wildcat support has been designed to guarantee value for money for the taxpayer by delivering the required levels of operational output at a re-

"Wildcat is a world-leading aircraft perfectly suited to operations on board the Royal Navy's front line warships such as the Type 23 Frigate, Type 45 Destroyer and Type 26 Global Combat Ship and in delivering the British Army's airborne battlefield tasks, such as reconnaissance, command and control and force protection. Advanced design and capabilities will enable it to support the Royal Navy and British Army for decades to

The WIST deal, which confirms the terms for the next five-year period of the 30-year contract signed in 2012, supports the objectives of the Strategic Partnering Arrangement signed between Leonardo Helicopters and the MOD in 2016. This agreement lays out shared commitments to cost effectiveness and the pursuit of export opportunities.

Jo is guest of honour at Lady Taverners fundraiser

OLYMPIAN Jo Pavey was the guest of honour at a fundraising lunch organised by the Lady Taverners and Axminster Town Cricket Club.

Held at The Harbour Inn in Axmouth on December 6th, the event raised £400 – with part of this figure coming from the auction of a copy of Jo's book, *This Mum Runs*.

The Lady Taverners charity helps children with special needs, supplying specially-adapted mini-buses, specialist equipment such as sensory and soft play rooms.

The Seaton and East Devon Area also ensures youngsters have outings and parties to local attractions such as Pecorama and Seaton Tramway.



Jo Pavey

PADDY Magrane is the author of the Sam Keddie thrillers, Disorder and Denial, published by Fahrenheit Press.

He's also a journalist who's written for The Guardian, The Independent, The Observer and Daily Telegraph, an integrative psychotherapist working in Axminster, and also the co-director of the Shute Festival of Literature and Landscape.

He has lived with his family in Shute since 2006.

WHERE were you born and where did you grow up?

I was born in Bahrain and grew up in Germany, Northern Ireland and London (my father was in the Army and we moved every two years).

We eventually settled in Yorkshire, but by then wanderlust had got under my skin. As an adult, I lived in Florence, New York, all over London, and near Cambridge, before moving to Devon ten years ago.

WHAT was your dream job when you were a kid?

I wanted to be an artist. As a teenager, I was led down a more academic path – to read History at university but when my A-levels didn't work out as planned, I began to realise that it was probably a blessing and that I might have an opportunity to paint after all.

So, armed with my portfolio, I applied for art college and got a place at City & Guilds of London Art School, in Kennington. It was the most intense period of education in my life.

I learned not just about art and how to express my ideas on canvas, but also how to see the world in more interesting ways.

TELL us about your professional life so far

After art school I finally achieved that childhood dream of becoming an artist. But the reality was pretty tough.

I sold work, but never enough to survive in New York or London, where I lived at the time. Gradually

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thing more lucrative. So I got a job as an account handler in a design agency in Soho. Before long, I realised that I really wanted to be a copywriter, so I moved across the office into the creative department.

I've been writing ever since in one form or another. These days it's mainly journalism for the Telegraph,

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alongside my thrillers.

I'm also a co-director of the Shute Festival of Literature and Landscape, and a counsellor in Axminster working with ARC.

WHAT makes you happy?

Simple stuff. A productive morning's writing. A walk along the headland from Beer to Branscombe with my wife, Di, and dog, Lola. A pint with a friend.

WHAT makes you unhappy?

I feel blue if my children are unhappy. I also get depressed about the state of the world. Aleppo, a Syrian city with a population the size of Manchester, has been pounded into rubble while the world sits by.

Millions of Syrians have been forced from their homes and the lack of compassion they've been shown by far too many has been deeply distressing. It's basic humanity to welcome refugees.

2016 has seen a hardening of hearts the world over. It's very sad. My father and I went to Syria on holiday in 2006 and were greeted with warmth and kindness wherever we went. Syrian refugees deserve the same from us.

• WHICH is your favourite holiday destination? For years, we've been going to a Cycladean island called Sifnos. We have friends there and it's an incredibly welcoming, easy-going place.

White-washed houses creeping up the mountainside, warm crystal-clear water, tavernas strung along the quayside.

Going back every year is a little like returning home. That said, Devon is a pretty close second. It's unbeatable in the spring and autumn.

WHAT are you up to now?

I'm well over halfway through writing my third Sam Keddie thriller. It's called Trauma and is about a murderer on the loose in an oil compound in the desert of Southern Iraq.

If you like your thrillers fast paced with plots that are torn from today's headlines, you'll enjoy the first two books, Disorder and Denial, which are both available from Amazon.



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History tour of Berlin for Wadham students

WADHAM School students flew out to Berlin for a four-day visit, which featured both fun and heart-breaking tales.

The first day featured sightseeing including Reichstag and Hitler's bunker.

The following day started with a visit to the site of the Wansee Conference, an event in which the structure and plan for the Holocaust were finalised.

The day also included a visit to the Sachsenhausen concentration camp, where students had a chance to see the horrors of the Nazi regime up close.

A tour of the camp was followed by a visit to the on-site museum, where the group found a book of all the prisoner's names and other artefacts found and used in the camp, including a prisoner uniform.

A school spokesperson said: "Many found

this a truly heart-breaking experience."

On day three the students visited the site of the Potsdam Conference, an event held at Cecilienhof, the home of Crown Prince Wilhelm, in the aftermath of World War II.

The school spokesperson said: "It was here that the discussions for post-war Europe took place between America, the Soviet Union and Britain.

"It was also here that many believe the Cold War began with relations between East and West breaking down and old suspicions returning."

History teacher Mr Hopwood commented that "the behaviour of the students here was exceptional with insightful questions being asked as we toured the site".

The final visit of the day was to an interesting, interactive museum, The Story of Berlin.

What many found most memorable, however, was the opportunity to look around a Cold War nuclear bunker. Here the students learnt about the realities of life in a post nuclear world.

Distressing facts were that only 3,600 people would be saved, that supplies only existed for two weeks and that to save power, survivors would be lying on bunks for hours on end in near darkness.

On the final day after packing for the return trip students took a tour of the Topography of Terror, a museum which charts the Nazi regime from 1933 to 1945, sited at the headquarters of the Gestapo and the SS.

The museum documented the Nazis war crimes and highlighted the level of repression experienced under this regime.

Head of History and leader of the trip Mr Hopwood commented: "Although it was a tiring four days with a full-on schedule, I believe the trip was fun experience, which has really brought to life the issues we study in the classroom.

"The students presented themselves and the school with maturity and they should all be proud of their conduct."



■ SIGHTSEEING: The tourists plan their next move in Berlin



Singers entertain

THE churches in Crewkerne provided a festive spirit during the farmers' market in December.

Members of the different churches teamed up and sang Christmas carols, to the delight of stall holders and customers.

One of those involved, Eileen Mills, said: "It was good to share the spirit of Christmas with everyone."

Photo courtesy of Eileen Mills

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■ FATHER Christmas was assisted by Mayor Cllr Robin Pailthorpe, senior sister Tania Collin, Ron Bond, Chairman of the hospital's League of Friends, and Robin Heyd-Smith of Crewkerne Rotary Club

FATHER Christmas called in at Crewkerne Hospital on Christmas Day in a brand new sleigh with a sack-full of presents for the patients and staff.

He was joined by an elf and a party of visitors that included the Mayor Councillor Robin Pailthorpe, Mayoress Jo Lyons, Ron Bond, Chairman of the hospital's League of Friends, and Robin Heyd–Smith, of Crewkerne Rotary Club.

Santa (League of Friends vice-chairman Steve Crane) handed out a cosy blanket to each patient as well as chocolates and sweets, and there was a gift voucher for each member of the hospital staff.

They were accompanied by Tania Collin, Senior Ward Sister at the hospital.

Some patients were able to go home for a few hours to enjoy Christmas dinner with their families.

But for those who were not so lucky there was a slap-up Christmas dinner at the hospital.

As usual at this time of year, the staff made arrangements so that all the patients could sit together to tuck into their turkey and Christmas pud.

"There was a lovely festive feel to the hospital and the patients were delighted with the visit and the gifts," said Ron.

Rock-solid year for geology group



■ SOLID PERFORMANCE: Gwen Bird (right) presents a gift on behalf of the Crewkerne & District U3A geology group to Val Watson as a thankyou for leading the group

VAL Watson has been thanked for another rock-solid year leading a Crewkerne geology group.

A presentation was made to her on behalf of the members of the University of the Third Age geology group – the largest in the town's U3A – by long-serving member Gwen Bird.

Forty members attended the final session of the year at St Bartholomew's Church Hall and took along fossils, photographs and other memorabilia that they had col-

lected on the various trips organised during the year.

Everyone agreed it was a very successful 2016 that included field trips to Charmouth, Morwhellam Quay near Tavistock, a cruise from Exmouth to Brixham, the Big Pit in South Wales and Exeter Cathedral.

The first session in January will be a planning meeting for the whole year when meetings and field trips will be announced.

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Parents encouraged to teach children to use analogue clocks

A SOUTH Somerset headteacher has asked parents to help their children learn how to tell the time using an analogue clock.

While people of an older generation might find it a disturbing fact that children are unable to use an "old-fashioned" clock to tell the time, it probably is not that surprising, as all they have known is the digital age.

Although children are able to tell the time by reading a digital clock, some are unable to say what time it is by using an analogue clock with the hour and minute hands.

Mark Walker, headteacher at Swanmead School in Ilminster, which caters for just over 260 children aged from ages nine to 13, said: "Over recent months we have become quite aware of the large numbers of children that find it difficult to tell the time using an analogue

"This is obviously a very important life skill for all young people to understand and we wish to ask for the help of parents, where necessary, in addressing this.

"If this is an area their child or children finds more complex, please support them by asking them the time regularly and by questioning them on aspects such as 'how many minutes have gone past the hour?' and 'how many minutes there are until the next hour?' for exam-

"We will, of course, do our bit in the classrooms, but reaffirming this knowledge at home will be crucial towards the learning becoming ingrained.'



SCHOOL councillors at Greenfylde First School in Ilminster take their role very seriously and have quizzed local MP Marcus Fysh about his job.

Mr Fysh spoke to the children about his life as an MP and answered a range of questions, including how loud Big Ben sounds within the Houses of Parliament.

The children were thrilled to receive their School Council certificates from Mr Fysh and his visit certainly inspired them in their role for the rest of the academic year.

Plans for new school site

PLANS for the potential replacement of Greenfylde First School in Ilminster have taken a step forward after a housing developer submitted plans for a new site - including a provision for a school.

Councillor Linda Vijeh, Ilminster's representative on Somerset County Council, reported that housing devel-

oper Persimmon has submitted a planning application to build 450 houses in Canal Way

Councillor Vijeh said: "Included in this application will be access to a new school site for the potential replacement of Greenfylde First School.

"It is going to be difficult to expand the current Greenfylde site to meet the need of future housing in the town, therefore replacement and expansion of the first school must be considered

"A stakeholder engagement event will be arranged in the spring for anybody with interest to find our more."

Town and district councils offer 'treecycling' service

CHRISTMAS 'Treecycling' is taking place in Ilminster thanks to a partnership set up between the district and town council.

Trees can be dropped off at the Archie Gooch Pavilion until January 16th.

A spokesperson for the South Somerset District Council said: "Start the new year off sustainably by recycling your tree into mulch. Make sure the trees are bare (free of ornaments, metal and stands), real trees of all shapes and sizes accepted."



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■ LAST NUMBERS: Brenda Pyle and Jayne Mann, who will take over as bingo caller

Bingo caller steps down after 20 years

ASHILL community stalwart Brenda Pyle, bingo-caller extraordinaire for the village's monthly charity meat bingo, called her last numbers just before Christmas.

Brenda said: "Having started this back in 1998 I felt that after almost 20 years it was high time that I gave someone else a go and I am delighted that Jayne Mann has agreed to take over from next month."

The monthly event was originally started to raise funds towards the village hall, before changing its focus to charitable donations. Since then, a huge £45,000 has been raised

and donated to a wide range of charities.

The organising team now consists of John Brunt, Len and Marilyn Woodland, Jo and Phil Underhill and Gwen Hymas. They meet each year to discuss which charities to support, in addition to making one-off donations in response to international emergencies.

Players, who enjoy the friendly, relaxed atmosphere, come from all around the area.

Bingo nights are held on the last Wednesday of each month – doors open at 6.45pm for eyes down at 7.30pm.

More than 120 attend town's annual senior citizens' lunch



ILMINSTER Senior Citizens' Lunch saw more than 120 local residents pack into the Shrubbery Hotel to enjoy a festive lunch.

The event, which has been running for more than 30 years, is organised following yearly donations from Ilminster Rotary Club, the Lions, Nyanza Lodge and Mr Marshall Herbert.

Businesses in the town also collect for the good cause throughout the year, with collection boxes being held in Hannah May, Ilminster Hardware, Co-op, The Royal Oak, Horton Post Office,

Spar Texaco garage, E&S Computers and Ilmin ster Warehouse.

Organisers of the event send their thanks to the Shrubbery Hotel staff, Broomhead & Saul, Elvis impersonator Barry Paull for the entertainment, the Rotary Club and Freemasons for helping on the day, the Lions Club for providing transport, Stuart and Vaughan Lee House, Tesco and the family of Mrs Voice, Helen Gilzean for helping to organising transport and Maria Moore.



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Children enjoy outdoor learning



PUPILS at Manor Court Primary School in Chard have been enjoying a brand new outside play area, complete with fun games and a 'mud

The play area was funded by the Collaborative Academy Trust, of which Manor Court is a part, and is aimed to help the children make a positive

Julie Bulgin, a foundation teacher, said she was delighted with the new area.

"The area is viewed as an additional learning space and is accessed daily by the children," she

"It has allowed for more collaborative and purposeful play, which is sure to enhance children's learning. And the children love it!"



Former Chard student makes debut in Champions League

FORMER Holyrood Academy student Ben Hamer had a night of mixed emotions when he took his place between the posts for Leicester City in their UEFA Champions League match at FC Porto.

The Chard lad, who has gone on to have a good career as a professional footballer in the goalkeeping position, was making his first-ever appearance in the Champions League competition - the pinnacle of European club football - on Wednesday, December 7th but the match did not go according to plan as Leicester were easily beaten 5-0 by the Portuguese side.

The result did not matter, as Leicester had already previously qualified for the next stage of this season's Champions League with them having been in an unassailable position at the top of the Group G table.

Hamer was on the bench for Leicester as an unused substitute during their 2-1 victory over Club Brugge on Tuesday, November 22nd which saw them qualify for the next round of the Champions League.

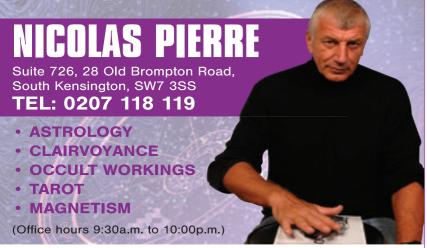
the result, the Leicester manager was able to field a much-changed starting line-up which gave Hamer his first chance for European action.

Despite sampling the excitement of European football, the BBC has reported that Hamer became the first English goalkeeper to concede five goals on his Champions League debut.

Hamer made a return to his former school in Chard in the summer of 2015 to see a new 'inspirational' poster which had been put up at Holyrood with the words "Budding footballers across the region can achieve their dreams - if they dream big enough".

And having been a member of the Leicester City squad which last season achieved arguably one of the greatest sporting triumphs in the history of football – by winning England's Premier League - it goes to show that anything can happen.

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■ BENCHMARK: Orlaigh and Helena accept prizes on behalf of the school

Chard pupils up in space

were delighted to welcome Jo Richardson, their space ambassador, back to present them with two books for

■ CHARD based family carnival club, ZEM CC, have announced dates of events they will be running to help raise money for the club's next project.

On Saturday, February 25th the annual prize bingo will take place at Crowshute House in Chard, doors open at 6.30pm with eyes down at 7.15pm. On Saturday, May 20th, the club will hold their popular summer sale at The Secret Garden, Chard, the sale will run from 9am to 1pm.

Anyone wanting to donate to the carnival club can contact the club by 01460 62842 or via their face-book page.

the library as prizes to the school for all the children's brilliant entries in the Wells Astronomical Society's competition.

Jo said she was thrilled to be to be visiting Chard School once again, to award the prizes and to congratulate the children on all their amazing space work, produced as part of the Tim Peake Primary Project that they took part in.

A spokesperson for the school said: "Jo told us that the video Mr Lucas had put together of all the children's favourite space activities had been shown at all the schools she has visited since the summer and many teachers had been inspired to aim for similar great things in their own schools. Chard School is the benchmark now."

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Chard resident appointed MBE

CHARD resident Dr Stephen Hetherington has been appointed a MBE in the Queen's New Year's Honours list for services to the Arts, in particular music and theatres.

Dr Hetherington, pictured, is chairman of HQ Theatres Trust, founder of the OHMI Trust and an Honorary Fellow of Exeter University. He was the first Chief Executive of The Lowry, during its original development and early years of operation, and was director of Birmingham's bid to be European Capital of Culture in 2002. His early career was as a classical musician and theatre producer.





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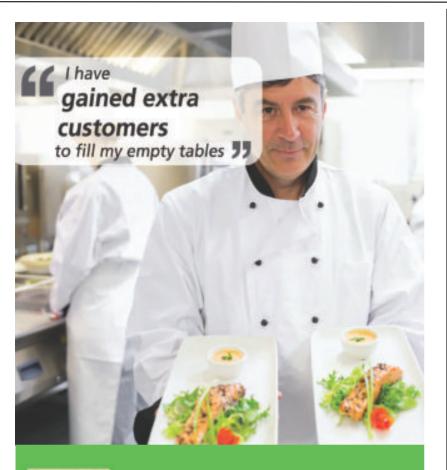
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■ AFTER eight years of being in charge, Jean and Howard Fairhall are stepping down as leaders of Crewkerne & District University of the Third Age (U3A) table tennis group. A 'thank you' presentation was made to the couple who plan to continue as members of the group. Tributes were paid to them by Anne Bright, U3A chairman, and Norman Fleetwood. New leaders of the group, which meets on the second and fourth Mondays of the month at Misterton WI Hall from 2pm to 4pm, are Tony and June Cox. Pictured above, Norman Fleetwood (second from right) makes the presentation to Jean and Howard Fairhall (second and third from left). Also in the picture are the new leaders Tony and June Cox.

Drinkers encouraged to have 'Dry January'

DRINKERS are being encouraged by Somerset County Council to take a break and have a 'Dry

The campaign by Alcohol Concern is aimed at social drinkers and encourages them to give up alcohol throughout January.

The campaign is supported by Public Health England, which says that one in five people are drinking more than the recommended guidelines.

Trudi Grant, Somerset Director of Public Health, said: "More and more people are taking part in Dry January. It can help kick-start a change in routine, and is a great way to start the New Year.

"You will start to feel some of the health benefits such as sleeping better, having more energy and losing weight, and it also helps to save money.

"It's not about stopping drinking altogether it just encourages a short break from alcohol. And it has been shown to help people in the longer term to drink a bit less and stick to the low risk drinking guidelines."

Some good reasons for giving Dry January a go

- Drinking alcohol every day can easily push people above the recommended weekly guidelines of 14 units a week for men and women (that's equivalent to six pints of average-strength beer or 10 small glasses of low-strength wine);
- January is a good time to change a drinking habit, have a break from alcohol, and feel some of the many short term benefits;
- Even six months later, evidence from Dry January shows that two-thirds of participants are still drinking less.

Anyone wanting to talk to someone confidentially about their drinking can call Somerset Drug and Alcohol Service on 0300 303 87 88.

Fire and rescue service recruiting full time firefighters for first time in years

DEVON and Somerset Fire and Rescue Service is new, full-time firefighters.

The fire service has only been able to recruit retained firefighters in recent years, but has now been given the green light to take on full-time firefighters.

The role of a firefighter has changed dramatically, even in recent years, with so much more to the role than putting out fires.

Assistant Chief Fire Officer Glenn Askew said: "We expect so much more of our firefighters in terms of their ability to adapt to a huge range of incident types and community work.

"One day a firefighter can be pulling people from fast-flowing water and the next keeping our most vulnerable members of the community safe in their homes with our home fire safety

Firefighters are on hand to respond to emergencies 24/7 meaning shift work is essential. There are many different roles that make up the service and each works together to deliver the essential

community and response services as efficiently and effectively as possible. ACFO Askew added: "We want to ensure that our workforce reflects both the community and

the mix of skills and qualities required to do the

job. For this recruitment process we particularly

welcome applications from women as they are under-represented in our operational service.

"We also welcome applications from people who are black, Asian or minority ethnic as they are also under-represented in our workforce and encourage everyone to see what the fire and rescue service can offer in terms of a challenging and interesting career.'

For those interested and wanting to see if they've got what it takes, Devon and Somerset Fire and Rescue Service will be running taster days in January for prospective applicants to see what it entails to be a firefighter.

The dates and how to book are available on the service website www.dsfire.gov.uk and information will be shared through their social media sites. The training will take place in August and all applicants need to be 18 or over by August 2017.

ACFO Askew concluded by saying: "There are so many opportunities in the fire and rescue service for staff to progress their career. You can be a specialist in a number of areas and there is a career path that can lead you all the way to Chief Fire Officer, I have never looked back and have loved every minute of being in the fire and rescue

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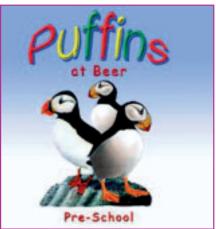
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ship Day on Monday 6th February 2017. Pupils currently in Years 2 to 4, who wish to enrol in 2017 may apply. Four scholarships will be awarded to children whose talents will enrich the academic, musical, artistic or sporting life of Chard School. Means-tested bursaries are also available. If you would like to enter your child for an award, please contact the School Secretary on 01460 63234 or office@chardschool.co.uk to request an information pack and application form. The closing date for applications is 27th January 2017.







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Reading cures for young minds

"JUST because you're small, it doesn't mean your brain is small," says Susan Elderkin, author and 'bibliotherapist', over coffee."

She's referring to that perennial favourite Julia Donaldson and Axel Scheffler's The Gruffalo, which, in Elderkin's new book, The Story Cure, written with fellow bibliotherapist Ella Berthoud, is a 'cure for being small'.

"Children's literature is full of examples of how the vertically challenged develop other qualities," they write, "and kids on the short side can select from a wide range of role models to find the one that best fits."

The duo, both children "who'd go off and read for hours on end" met studying English Literature at Cambridge University, and set up their bibliotherapy service at The School Of Life in 2007. The Novel Cure, prescribing reading remedies to adults, was published in 2013 and The Story Cure was the natural follow-up - a book for adults to help children with everything from anxiety to zits.

In their selections, they've drawn on their own experiences as parents: Elderkin to a 7-year-old son. Kirin, and Berthoud to three daughters, aged 9, 11

When Kirin was a tantrum-throwing toddler, Mo Willems' Knuffle Bunny - a picture book about the enraged tears that follow the favourite toy getting lost

"He just found her tantrum so funny, but also felt the exasperation of the father, with all these question marks coming out of his head. That separation from the emotion is really helpful for kids, it's not just something inside any more. And you can access that later. You can stand outside the tantrum with them, once they've calmed down, and say, 'Look what it did to mummy, look what it did to daddy'.'

Berthoud's brood have require a different kind of cure. "My kids are not instinctively the type to sit down with a book. They've been great advocates of the 'doing something else while you're reading cure' - so hula hooping while you're reading, or reading in the bath. They've ended up reading a lot more, it's a way



of making them feel like they're doing something."

In researching the cures, they worked with a child and adolescent psychiatrist and Berthoud advises: " In the case of eating disorders or self-harm or suicidal thoughts, we would always say see a professional, but the books in here are adjuncts to that. We also say make sure you read the book yourself before your child does, or at the same time at least, so you can talk about it "

Elderkin adds: "Kids are naturals at being their own bibliotherapist, they know what they're drawn to and what they don't want. They're good self-censors."

So how does the therapy work? When a child picks up or is a given a book addressing bullying, for example, what's going on in their head?

"The main cure is it shows you you're not alone, it's reflecting back to you a situation other people have been in, whether it's being bullied or the death of a grandparent, you might be feeling this or asking these sort of questions," says Elderkin. "That's just hugely comforting to a child because they don't have the emotional language yet to say to their parents, 'This is what I'm going through'."

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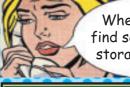
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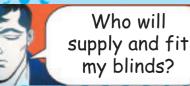
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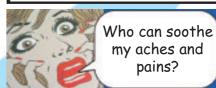


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Come and enjoy a knit and natter afternoon and make items for yourself or for sale at the Centre. 2 - 4pm **COLYTON:** Planning meeting for Colyton's Historical Re-enactment Event – English Civil War coming to you on Saturday, June 10th. Find out how you can take part in this exciting community event. All welcome 7.30pm at Colcombe Castle, Colyton. Organ ised by Promote Colyton Group. Further Info 01297

WEDNESDAY JANUARY 11TH

Axminster: Free Make & Munch with HALFF (Health and Local Food for Families). 10.30am-12.30pm. For parents and carers of children (0-18), a handson course of six sessions. Have fun preparing simple delicious food and enjoy eating it together. Pre-school age children welcome with parents/carers. New venue Masonic Hall, South Street, Axminster. To book a place call Ros on 01297 631782 for more information or email admin@halff.org.uk.

Crewkerne: Bingo at Henhayes Centre — Cash prizes — "eyes down" at 2.30pm. £5.30 (£4.80 for members) for 6 books of 12 games.

THURSDAY JANUARY 12TH

CREWKERNE: Crewkerne Folk Dance Club 8-10pm at St Bartholomew's Church Hall. Every Thursday. Entry £2.50, but first visit free. For more details call 01460 77320 or 75760.

Seavington: Seavington gardening club - the Garden writer Sally Nex will be giving her first hand experience of "Behind the Scenes at Chelsea" The meeting will be held in Seavington Millenium Hall at 7.30 pm . Visitors welcome, £2 at the door. Details on 01460 929605.

CHARD: Chard Royal Naval Association will be meeting at their new location for their monthly meetings at 7.30pm at the Chard Rugby Football Club, Essex Close, This first meet of the New Year will be their AGM. The association invite any person wishing to join the association to turn up on the night where they will be made most welcome

CREWKERNE: Physio Fit — 10.30 am to 11.45 am. £2.00 for members/£3.00 for non-members.

CREWKERNE: Over 50s Keep Fit at Henhayes Centre -10.00am to 11.00am. £2.50 for members / £3.50 for non-members

CREWKERNE: Short Mat Bowls at Henhayes Centre. 2 – 4.30pm. New members welcome, come and give it a try

SEATON: Seaton Garden Club monthly meeting will take place at 2.30 pm in the Masonic Hall, Queen Street, Seaton. Illustrated talk by Mick Lock entitled "The Far side of the world: Kamchatka and the Aleutian Islands - with flowers". Visitors welcome. charge £2. to include refreshments. Contact details: 01297 24049.

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FRIDAY JANUARY 13TH

CREWKERNE: Sequence Dancing at the Victoria Hall, 1.45–4pm. Tea and biscuits. Raffle. £2 per person. For more details call 01935 415520 or 01308

CLAPTON: Clapton & Wayford Village Hall — 'Food on Friday', mid-day for 12.30pm start. Good two course meal + roll & butter and unlimited tea/coffee. Special diets can be catered for if requested in advance. Open to all ages; very friendly atmosphere; newcomers really welcomed, but please book places in advance by phoning June (01460 77057) or Jackie (01460 72324), who will also provide more information if required.

SATURDAY JANUARY 14TH

HINTON ST GEORGE: 'Flix in the Stix' presents 'AN-THROPOID (15), in the Hinton Village Hall at 7.30 $\,$ pm. Tickets £5 in advance from the Village Shop and Dorothy's Tea Room, or £5.50p on the door. To reserve Tickets please contact Bob Kefford on 01460 72563

SUNDAY JANUARY 15TH

Diary Dates Focus on Folk Diary Dates

THE LATEST concert at Ilminster Arts Centre celebrates the West Country's rich tradition of folk music by bringing together three superlative folk acts under one roof on Friday, January 20th.

United for one night under the umbrella of 'Flying Folk', the performers comprise a duo from Somerset/Dorset, a fiddle guitar duo from West Camel and a local quartet of player/singers from Yeovil. Together they will be presenting a widely varied mix of folk material to provide a thoroughly entertaining evening.

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The concert promises an evening of sensational folk music, enhanced by the stunning acoustic of the Arts Centre.

Flying Folk: an evening folk music, takes place at Ilminster Arts Centre at the Meeting House on Friday, January 20th at 8pm. Tickets are £10 (no suppers), To book please contact the Box Office 54973 01460 www.themeetinghouse.org.uk



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MONDAY JANUARY 16TH

Crewkerne: Crewkerne Awareness January Meeting. Guest Speaker: Paula Jackson on 'Divination By Tea Leaves'. At the Meeting Room, Unitarian Chapel, Crewkerne. 7pm – 9.30pm. Admission £2.50 (Includes Light Refreshments) Everyone Welcome. Further details telephone Anastasia

CREWKERNE: Physio Fit — 9.40 to 10.40am and 10.45 am to 11.45 am. £2.00 for members/£3.00 for non-members. Transport available for second session. Book at Centre.

CREWKERNE: Short Mat Bowls. 7 – 9.30pm. New members welcome, come and give it a try.

Hawkchurch: Hawkchurch History Society. Literature and Landscape in East Devon with Peter Naismith, writer and photographer, will talk about the many connections between notable authors and our region. At Hawkchurch Village Hall, 7pm for 7.30pm. Non-members welcome. £5 (inc tea/coffee/hiscuits)

CHARD: Chard, Ilminster & District U3A invites anyone who has retired from full employment to come to Chard Guildhall at 2pm for a cup of tea/coffee and biscuits and learn about 'Smuggling in Devon'. with Robert Hesketh.

TUESDAY JANUARY 17TH

Axminster: Cooking for One Demo with HALFF (Health and Local Food for Families). 11.00am 12.30pm. Free healthy cooking demonstrations giving hints and ideas for cooking for one and covering nutritional advice for type 2 diabetes, heart disease and high blood pressure. New venu United Reformed Church, Chard Road, Axminster. No need to book, just turn up, it's free. Call Hannah on 01297 631782 for more information or email hannah@halff.org.uk.

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WEDNESDAY JANUARY 18TH

COLYTON: Devonshire Association Axe Valley Branch at the The Pavilion, Peace Memorial Playing Fields, 2:30pm "East Devon Pebble-bed Heathland" Dr. Sam Bridgewater - Nature Conservation Manager, Clinton Devon Estates – will talk about one of the largest areas of lowland heathland in the UK with many rare species of plants and birds. All welcome, admission £1 for DA members, non-members £3. Details from 01297551529 or

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SEATON: Jurassic Folk and Jam Club at Eyre Court, 2 Queen Street, 8-10.30pm. Music and song for all to enjoy. Free admission for musicians, singers and spectators. For more details call 01404 46451 or 549903, or visit www.jurassicfolkandjam.com **CLAPTON:** Jumble Sale in aid of the Birkett-Smith Animal Sanctuary, 2-4pm at Clapton & Wayford Village Hall. Donations to be dropped off 10am-12pm. For more details call 01460 74654. HONITON: he first meeting of the year for the Honi-

ton U3A is on Wednesday 18th January when they welcome their speaker, Janet Diamond who will be giving a talk entitled 'The Age of the Pyramid' a look into how and why the first pyramids appeared in Egypt with insights into their beauty and architecture. Venue: The Beehive, Dowell Street, Honiton. Doors open 1.30pm for a 2pm start. Members free and Visitors welcome (suggested donation of £2). Further information: 01404 598008 or website: http://u3asites.org.uk/Honiton

CREWKERNE: Bingo at Henhayes Centre - Cash prizes -'eyes down'' at 2.30pm. £5.30 (£4.80 for members) for 6 books of 12 games.

Axminster: Axe Valley Centre, National Trust talk entitled 'Thomas Whitty and his Axminster Car-

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looking at 2017

With Wendy Van Der Plank

IT SEEMS incredible that we have now been open and running a successful community arts centre in Honiton for nearly three years, and what a pleasure and joy it has been to provide entertainment for a huge cross section of the community and for those beyond. Some have even told us that The Beehive was the reason for them choosing to settle in Honiton, as they wanted to be able to walk down the road to go to the cinema, theatre and any assortment of live music gigs and comedy events.

We had a great year in 2016 with some terrific shows, several sell outs and some pretty close to the max, including Police Dog Hogan Mad Dog Mcrea, Henning Wehn, Bristol Old Vic Theatre School's production of 'A Midsummer Night's Dream', the live screening of the Royal Ballet's "The Nutcracker", Bridget Jones' Baby, and of course the ever popular Honiton Community Theatre company production of 'Peter

Huge thanks must be said for our wonderful team of friendly, fab volunteers and staff, to Honiton Town Council for providing this community resource and also to the board of directors for steering this mammoth undertaking and giving so very much of their time and expertise towards The Beehive.

Well, for 2017 we aim for even more sell outs and are already well on the way with 'Aladdin' in February half term, 'Ralph McTell & Wizz Jones' on February 10th, and as we go to print, 'Sound of The Sirens' will be on sale (April 7th) they are sure to sell very quickly, along with 'The Noble Jacks' (March 31st) who were definitely the best live act at Chagstock last summer! Jethro has already sold out, sorry folks!

Personally I can't wait for Wille & the Bandits coming for their new album launch 'Steal' on January 21st. The album has had great reviews and these immensely talented, versatile musicians are fantastic live. They are also joined by Blackballed (frontman is Marshall Gill, New Model Army guitarist, loads of lovely naughty energy!).

I love a bit of ascerbic wit too, so am really looking forward to Observer food critic, presenter of

R4 Kitchen Cabinet, and Master Chef Judge, Jay Rayner's comic show 'The 10 Food Commandments' followed by a Q&A session on the March 4th (although I'm rather terrified at providing his supper!).

A return visit from the fabulous Welsh band, 'Rusty Shackle' is definitely a go to gig, they were brilliant last year, it was fantastic to see so many people loving them - they play the Beehive on April 14th).

Also so delighted to have the amazing David Mynne (founder member of Cornwall's legendary Kneehigh Theatre) performing 'The Odyssey! Its Greek stuff...' (March 18th) all the good bits with the boring stuff removed. A compact piece of theatre magic. David Mynne's skill with just a few simple props, a rubber face and clear and concise storytelling will fill the Beehive with drama, delight and hysterical laughter!

On April 1st we have 'No Finer Life' by Graham Harvey, (Agricultural Story Editor of The Archers for 20 years and writer of more than 600 episodes), who brings to the stage the true tale of an unlikely Cotswold hero and an enduring romance. The play is set in the Oxfordshire countryside at the end of World War Two, rich in tradition and full of vivid, memorable characters. But this is no nostalgic, bucolic ramble! The show also features new live music composed and performed by Alastair Collingwood, who has written scores for numerous TV and theatre shows. Graham Harvey will be taking part in an after-show conversation - included in the ticket price - where he will discuss the issues in the play... and all things Ambridge!



■ GIG-goers (including Wendy, front in purple) had a rocking time at the recent Mad Dog Mcrea gig

Our Science 'Festival of the Imagination' was such a success last year, with splendid feedback from families and folk of all ages that we are having another this year on May 5th and 6th so be sure to add this to your diary. There will once again be lots of activities and exciting things to discover with interesting talks and displays culminating in a very special scientific family show on the Saturday night by the brilliant Tangram theatre Company; The Element In The Room: A Radioactive Musical Comedy About The Death And Life Of Marie

Add to all this some truly wondrous Folk gigs with top quality artistes like Miranda Sykes & Rex Preston, Kathryn Roberts and Sean Lakeman, along with The Phil Beer Band and then some great tribute bands like The Darkside of Pink Floyd, and The Beach Boy's Story, not to mention our Royal Opera House Live streaming, and Oscar contender films like 'La La land', 'Lion' and 'Manchester By The Sea', then hopefully we will have a bit of something for everyone!

Please do keep an eye on our website or pop in, as new events are added all the time www.beehivehoniton.co.uk. Here's wishing and hoping for a tremendous year for all from everyone at The Beehive.



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Don't get shipwrecked, get your tickets now for Robinson Crusoe!

TICKETS are selling well for Axminster Drama Clubs 2017 pantomime Robinson Crusoe which will take place at the Guildhall from Thursday 19th to Saturday, January 21st, with a matinee on Saturday 21st. So you better hurry if you don't want to be left shipwrecked and without a ticket for what looks like being a fabulous show. As usual tickets are on sale at The Archway Bookshop in Church Street Axminster.



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SEATON: Seaton and District Probus Club. Talk by David Dumbleton: 1984. 10 a.m. in the small hall, Seaton Methodist Church. The club is open to retired or semi-retired men over 55. New members/ $prospective \, members \, welcome \, - \, come \, and \, give \, us$ a try. Please contact Steven on 01297 21872.

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CHARD: Chard Camera Club will be holding an inter club competition with Wellington Camera Club at 7.30pm in the Baptist Church Hall.

CLAPTON: Community Coffee Morning, hosted by Clapton & Wayford Village Hall from 10am - midday. There will be a cake stall & raffle; all contributions welcomed. Do come and join us, to support your local facility, whilst meeting friends & neighbours or getting to know new people; all welcome.

More details from Julia (01460 72769)

CREWKERNE: Physio Fit — 10.30 am to 11.45 am. £2.00 for members/£3.00 for non-members.

CREWKERNE: Over 50s Keep Fit at Henhayes Centre -10.00am to 11.00am. £2.50 for members / £3.50 for

CREWKERNE: Short Mat Bowls at Henhayes Centre. 2 - 4.30pm. New members welcome, come and

FRIDAY JANUARY 20TH

CREWKERNE: Sequence Dancing at the Victoria Hall, 1.45-4pm. Tea and biscuits. Raffle. £2 per person. For more details call 01935 415520 or 01308

Crewkerne: Special Lunch – Roast Pork at Henhayes Centre. 12noon for 12.30pm. £8.

SUNDAY JANUARY 22ND

Sюмоитн: Instrumental Interludes at Sidholme Music Room, Elysian Fields. 3.30-4.30pm. With music students from Colvton Grammar School and Sidmouth College. Free. Retiring collection for

MONDAY JANUARY 23RD

WINSHAM: Winsham Art Club meeting. Roger Clemens, 'Images of Winter', watercolour/pen and ink. Meetings every Monday 2-4pm at the Jubilee Hall, Church Street. Coffee/tea and biscuits pro-

CREWKERNE: Physio Fit -9.40 to 10.40am and 10.45 am to 11.45 am. £2.00 for members/£3.00 for non-members. Transport available for second session. Book at Centre

CREWKERNE: Short Mat Bowls. 7 – 9.30pm. New members welcome, come and give it a try.

TUESDAY JANUARY 24TH

SEATON: Cooking For One Demo with HALFF (Health and Local Food for Families), 11am-1pm. Free healthy cooking demonstrations giving hints and ideas for cooking for one and covering nutritional advice for type 2 diabetes, heart disease, high blood pressure and modified diets (eg puree/fork mashable). At the United Reformed Church, Cross Street, Seaton EX12 2LH. No need to book, just turn up, it's free. Call Laura on 01297 631782 for more information or email laura@halff.org.uk

CREWKERNE: Computer Drop-in at Henhayes Centre – Questions answered and help provided. 10.00 am

Crewkerne: Tuesday Welcome Group at Henhayes Centre. £2.50 incl coffee per session. For people 50+ who like to meet other people and enjoy a few activities like painting, pottery, music, quizzes and occasional bingo. Transport can be arranged (£3.00) and members usually stay for a cooked lunch priced at £6.00 including tea or coffee. Please call 01460 74340 for further details.

CREWKERNE: Henhayes Knitters at Henhayes Centre. Come and enjoy a knit and natter afternoon and make items for yourself or for sale at the Centre. 2 - 4pm

WEDNESDAY JANUARY 25TH

UPLYME: Uplyme and Lyme Regis Horticultural Society Social Evening at Uplyme Village Hall, starting at 7.30pm. Bring and Share food, a light-hearted Quiz, Sweet pea planting and a Seed Swap - bring your spare seeds and exchange them for something you have never grown before. You will also have the chance to pay your subscription and collect a 2017 Events leaflet.

WEDNESDAY JANUARY 25TH - SATURDAY 28TH

CREWKERNE: CUDOS presents 'Rapunzel' written by Jack Northcott at Victoria Hall, Crewkerne, 7.30pm nightly and 2.3 pm Saturday Matinee. Tickets £7 and £6 available from www.cudos.org.uk or 01460

B Sharp set to make waves in the new year

An exciting new music project Soundwaves is now open to young people of Axminster and beyond

A NEW MUSIC project based in Axminster aims to strike a chord with young people from across East Devon by offering weekly music making sessions for all abilities.

Led by Lyme Regis based music charity B Sharp, Soundwaves is an exciting after-school activity for young aspiring musicians and singers ages 9-11 who play an instrument or sing - as well as for those who would like to try out something new for the first time.

"We welcome everybody, whatever their level of musical experience, style or interest," says B Sharp professional music leader Jacques Verhaeren. "The

sessions are held in a relaxed, creative, fun and friendly environment and we will have a range of instruments available for those who don't have one."

Jacques will be working with Axminster-based fellow music leader and band member Jon Pogson from local band Mr Jean. The sessions will bring musicians together to play music, improve personal, social and musical confidence and will develop ideas generated by the young people to see where they lead.

"I'm thrilled to be working on Soundwaves in my home town where music opportunities for this kind of creative expression are incredibly limited for young people," says

"It's amazing how quickly young people can come up with a cool tune, some vocals or a catchy keyboard line if they just have a go," adds Jon.

B Sharp music leaders have years of experience running music sessions with young people in Lyme Regis and Bridport, and are really excited to be able to now offer this music making programme in East Devon.



The project is funded by Devon Music Education Hub Babcock, DAISI, the Devon Arts in Education charity as part of a Youth Music grant funded programme, and East Devon Parishes Together fund in association with Axminster Town Council.

All sessions are open to children from across the area including all local primary schools. The sessions run termly and take place at Axminster Primary school from January 11th to April 5th inclusive initially, with a view to run termly thereafter.

The sessions run every Wednesday from 3.45pm for a 4pm start until 5pm.

The cost per young person per session is between £1 and £3. B Sharp also offer bursaries were applicable.

Registration and booking is advisable but those who wish to participate are welcome to just turn up with a parent or guardian to meet the music leaders and other participants for the first session.

To find out more information contact Fran Williams fran@bsharp.uk.com or visit www.bsharp.uk.com

Alison Neil's new one-woman show Mrs Beeton, My Sister, comes to Yarcombe

Neil is visiting Yarcombe again in 2017 following the great success she had in February 2016 with her "Packed house, sell out" performance of The Fossil Lady of Lyme Regis.

On February 3rd, she is performing her one woman show, Mrs Beeton, My Sister, at Yarcombe to mark the 150th Anniversary of Mrs Beeton's death. The story of the publication of her famous book on Household Man-



agement and the entertaining and moving story of her life.

Alison Neil's one woman shows, directed by David Collison, have been widely enjoyed and this one is no exception, receiving many accolades. Alison will follow her performance with a question and answer session. There will be hot drinks and a light finger buffet supper.

Early booking is recommended. Tickets, including refreshments, priced £9.50, with £7.00 for suitable aged children from 12 to 17.

Mrs Beeton, My Sister will be performed on Friday, February 3rd at 7.30pm at Yarcombe Jubilee Hall. Tickets are available from John Carter 01404 861353, Lesley Pidgeon on 01404 881634, and John Salter on 01404 861465

Meadow Fairs launching new Antiques, Collectables and Decorative Fair in Axminster

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tiques, Collectables and Decorative Fairs, with the first fair taking place on Saturday, January 28th. Meadow Fairs, organisers of the event, have previously

AXMINSTER Guildhall is set to host a series of new An-

run successful fairs in Beaminster. There will be a large number of stands which will in-

clude pictures, books, jewellery, silver, glass, china, textiles needlework and small furniture.

Organisers are looking for new stall-holders in any of the above categories.

The fair on Saturday, January 28th runs from 10am-3.30pm at the Guildhall, West Street, Axminster, Devon

For more details or to book a stand, call Meadow Fairs on 01297 24446 or 07977 591736

Diary Dates

CREWKERNE: Crewkerne Folk Dance Club 8-10pm at St Bartholomew's Church Hall. Every Thursday. Entry £2.50, but first visit free. For more details call 01460 77320 or 75760.

Hontron: Portrait Drawing Demonstration with SWAc Associate Ken Cosgrove at Thelma Hulbert Gallery, 1.30–4.30pm. £3 (£2 THG Friends) incl. cup

FRIDAY JANUARY 27TH

SEATON: Free Cooking Demonstrations For Heart & Diabetes with HALFF (Health and Local Food for Families). 10.30-12.30 Free healthy cooking demonstrations giving hints and ideas for cooking and covering nutritional advice for people with, or at risk of, type 2 diabetes, heart disease and high blood pressure. At The United Reformed Church Hall, Cross Street, Seaton EX12 2LH. No need to book, just turn up, it's free. Chat, learn, eat. Call Hannah on 01297 631782 for more information, email hannah@halff.org.uk or go to www.halff.org.uk.

TATWORTH: Film: 'I, Daniel Blake' (cert 15). Showing at Tatworth Memorial Hall. Doors 7.15pm, film 8pm. Organised by T&F Movies. For more details call

CREWKERNE: Sequence Dancing at the Victoria Hall, 1.45-4pm. Tea and biscuits, Raffle, £2 per person For more details call 01935 415520 or 01308

Hontron: Hospiscare Bingo Evening. Doors open 7pm, eyes down 7.30pm. At the Mackarness Hall. Refreshments and raffle.

SATURDAY JANUARY 28TH

SiDMOUTH: Dancing with the Dancing Duo Henry & Jeannie. Theme 'Winter Wonderland', at Stowford Centre (A3052). 8-11pm. Free parking. Bring your own snacks. Tea/coffee and biscuits provided. Pay

COLYFORD: Tim Edey Concert, 7.30pm at Colyford Memorial Hall. Award Winning virtuoso melodeon & guitar player, and now singer and songwriter returns to East Devon by popular demand. Advance tickets £10 from 01297 20064 (also for more info), or online at website www.eastdevonfolk.org or in person from Colyford Post Office Shop.

WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 1ST

SEATON: Jurassic Folk and Jam Club at Eyre Court, 2 Queen Street, 8-10.30pm. Music and song for all to enjoy. Free admission for musicians, singers and spectators. For more details call 01404 46451 or . 549903, or visit www.jurassicfolkandjam.com SEATON: Seaton and District Probus Club. Talk by David Buldock: RHS Gardens at Wisley and Rose moor. 10 am at Seaton Methodist Church small hall. The club is open to retired or semi-retired men over 55. New members/prospective members welcome – come and give us a try. Please contact Stephen Lord on 01297 21872 for more information.

FRIDAY FEBRUARY 3RD

CREWKERNE: Sequence Dancing at the Victoria Hall, 1.45–4pm. Tea and biscuits. Raffle. £2 per person. For more details call 01935 415520 or 01308

YARCOMBE: 'Mrs Beeton, My Sister', performed by Alison Neil at Yarcombe Jubilee Hall, 7.30pm. The show will mark the 150th anniversary of Mrs Bee ton's death. Early booking is recommended. Tickets, including refreshments, priced £9.50 with £7 for suitable aged children 12–17. Available by calling 01404 861353, 01404 881634 or 01404 861465.

SUNDAY FEBRUARY 5TH

COLYFORD: Indoor Boot Sale at Colyford Memorial Hall. 9am-2pm. £5 a table. For more details call 01297 23591.

WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 8TH AXMINSTER: Free Make & Munch with HALFF (Health

and Local Food for Families). 10.30am-12.30pm. For parents and carers of children (0-18), a handson course of six sessions. Have fun preparing simple delicious food and enjoy eating it together. Pre-school age children welcome with parents/carers. New venue Masonic Hall, South Street, Axminster. To book a place call Ros on 01297 631782 for more information or email admin@halff.org.uk.

Honiton: Guided Exhibition Tour by SWAc Academician Ray Balkwill, at Thelma Hulbert Gallery, 6-8pm. £3 (£2 THG Friends) incl. glass of wine

THURSDAY FEBRUARY 9TH

SEAVINGTON: Seavington Gardening Club at 7.30pm in the Millennium Hall. The Gold Club will be giving a talk on "Growing Fruit and Vegetables on the Patio". There will be plants for sale. Visitors welcome £2 payable at the door and refreshments will be available plus a raffle. For further information please contact Karen Day tel. 01460 249728.

Nicky Sweetland's

OUR NEW SHOWBIZ COLUMN

Celebs enjoy our beautiful home

WE ARE spoiled in this area with the glorious countryside and miles and miles of stunning coastline. A crisp cold winter walk along the beach is one of the things I look forward to the most after spending time in the city and I try to get out and about as often as I can. While I was on one of my seaside jaunts last week I happened to walk past the broadcaster and fashion designer Fearne Cotton who spent New Year in Lyme Regis with her family. The TV star posted some gorgeous pics on Instagram of the mini her husband (who happens to be the son of The Rolling Stones Ronnie Wood) obviously really savoured her time spent in West Dorset. It made me think about how popular our local area is with celebrities. I think it's mostly because they can properly get away from the

suffocating lifestyle of

the city, without the

hazard of being con-

stantly hounded by

paparazzi and hoards

Whenever I meet celebs, I tell with great pride about where I live. They're often really envious of my lifestyle and many regale me of beloved memories of visits to our local area. The acclaimed actor Martin Jarvis talked with huge affection about family holidays to West Dorset when I interviewed him last year. The Marine Theatre marked his first ever foray onto stage when, as a child he enjoyed one of the annual summer variety shows at the seaside

Professor Stephen Hawking was spotted in Lyme last year and television presenter Jeremy Kyle frequents the town. I once walked past one of my showbiz idols, Julie Walters, in Mill Geeen and wished I'd had the courage to stop and talk to her. However, I believe one of the attractions for big name stars is the fact they can relax and not be bothered, so I would never impose myself in that

way. That's the reason why I never get photos with the celebs I meet in London too. Asking for selfies and autographs isn't something that appropriate in most of the situations in which I meet them and I'm sure if I were to start asking for photos, I'd soon find my work would start to dry up. fan of Another

Lyme Regis is Take That star Gary Barlow, who has visited the Alexandra Hotel on a number of occasions. I'm off to meet Gary next week and I'm taking local award winning photographer Richard Austin with me, so on this occasion, I should get some photographic evidence. With his new TV show Let it Shine premiering on BBC1 last weekend and The Girls opening in the West End in February, Barlow really is the man of the moment as far as the world of musical theatre is concerned. I'm hugely excited about interviewing Gary at the rehearsal for The Michael

low and the Calendar Girls next week. This week I had a

got on with Mr. Bar-





The Kite Runner starring Ben Turner (centre) at the Wyndhams Theatre



Strictly Come Dancing champions Ore Oduba and Joanne Clifton

chat to the star of the version Khaled Hosseini's The Kite Runner, Ben Turner, who is best known for playing Jay in BBC1's Casualty and who was utterly adorable. I also talked to Max Caulfield after a couple of failed attempts about a musical called Death Takes a Holiday (many will know the story from the film Meet Joe Black, which starred Brad Pitt and Anthony Hopkins). Max was in the cult film

Grease 2 and it was really interesting talking to the 57-year-old actor about his varied career, which has been immensely successful, both here and in America.

I also had a fab, but evening at cold Richard Branson's opulent Kensington Roof garden and chortled at some up and coming stand up including comics Rhys James and Chris Stokes.

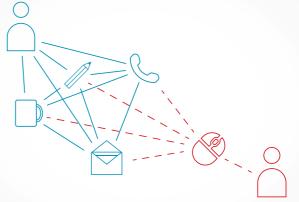
Next week I'm off to see the Kite Runner at the Wyndham's Theatre and I'm invited to watch a rehearsal of the Strictly Come Dancing 10th anniversary Live Tour, so I'll get to meet all of the stars including the 2016 champion Ore Oduba (although not his partner Joanne Clifton as she's currently touring the UK in Thoroughly modern Mille), former Shadow Chancellor Ed Balls and all of the professional dancers.

It's also the tech rehearsals for my pantomime in Axminster. I'm pleased to say I now know (most of!) my lines, so I've just got the dance steps, the songs and my general woodenness to work on. Ah well, I'm sure it will be all right on the night.

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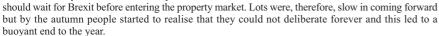
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Auctioneer Mark Lewis is very proud of the achievement having passed a personal milestone during the year after selling his 2,000 property auction lot.

"We had an interesting year with many buyers and sellers unsure of the world economy and whether they



Attendances were up with an estimated 4,000 people coming to our sales and the number of telephone bids was at a record level with one bidder ringing all the way from Thailand and many taking advantage of our facility at The London Office.

The number of people downloading the legal documents was also at an all-time high with over 3,000 individual documents inspected at our December sale. This inevitably led to a record number of bids recorded and, over our 12 sales, attempts to buy were recorded showing a 19% increase on 2015 with bidders travelling from 14 counties plus many from London.

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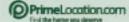
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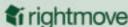
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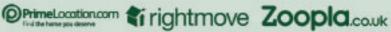
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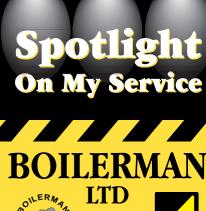
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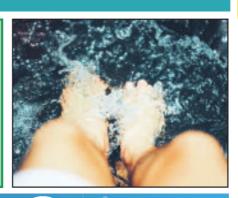
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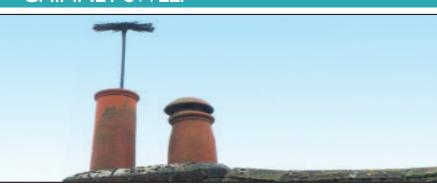
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model to date: the new Bentley Continental Supersports.

A top speed of 209 mph (336 km/h) and a 0-60 mph time of 3.4 seconds (0-100 km/h in 3.5 seconds) make the new Continental Supersports the world's fastest and most powerful luxurv four-seat car.

Similarly, its soft-top sibling, the Continental Supersports Convertible, is the fastest four-seat convertible in the world, despatching the sprint to 60 mph in 3.7 seconds (0-100 km/h in 3.9 secs) on its way to a 205 mph (330 km/h) top speed.

Bentley's mighty W12 engine, redeveloped for the Supersports with new high-performance turbos and engine hardware, and a torque vectoring system create a Continental Supersports as agile as it is powerful. Meanwhile, unique styling cues inside and out give the new model a sharpened athletic appearance highlighting its performance potential.

fastest and most powerful production a highly focused driving experience, there is no compromise in the refined nature of the Continental's ride quality. This fusion of extremes in luxury and performance make the Supersports the ultimate iteration of a model that has come to define and dominate the grand touring genre.

Wolfgang Dürheimer, chairman and chief executive of Bentley Motors, said: "The Supersports name is legendary at Bentley. From the very first Supersports of the 1920s, to the Continental Supersports of 2009 - and now with the third iteration of this iconic model – it is a name which excites, impassions and thrills. Only Bentley could create a car which blends immense performance and unrivalled luxury in this way."

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outputs are newly designed, highercapacity turbochargers and a revised charge-air cooling system which create more boost and additional power. In order to harness these additional outputs, upgrades have also been made to the Continental's cranktrain, including new main and conrod bearings.

These extensive engine revisions result in an increase of 80 PS (79 bhp) and 217 Nm (160 lb.ft.) over the 2009 Supersports model – a 10 percent power-to-weight and 25 percent torque-to-weight ratio improvement. The top speed rises by five miles per hour (and the 0-60 mph time drops by

The Supersports also benefits from a new torque converter which locks up faster allowing the car to make best use of the enhanced torque figure of 1,017 Nm (750 lb. ft.), and accelerate from standstill even more rapidly.

In order to rein in this immense performance the new Supersports is fitted with high-performance carbon The brake discs are the largest of their type in the world, providing excellent performance with minimal fade under extreme conditions.

The brakes sit behind lightweight 21" forged alloy wheels, together offering a 20 kg weight saving in unsprung mass. A further 5 kg weight-saving is offered via an optional titanium exhaust system. The new Supersports is the lightest-ever iteration of the current Continental GT and lighter than the 2009 four-seat Supersports model.

Enhancing the driver experience still further, the exhaust system has been redesigned to breath more freely and provide an unmistakeable Bentley soundtrack, with down-shifts eliciting a rifle-fire crackle.



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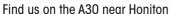
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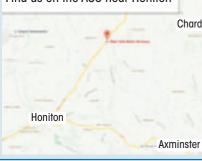
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According to figures released by the Society of Motor Manufacturers and Traders, the Astra cruised to victory with 15,948 sold in the fourth quarter and a total of 32,313 sold between July and December 2016, making it the best-selling car in its segment in the second half of the year, too.

This sales momentum capped a superb year for Vauxhall's family hatchback, having built up an impressive list of accolades including 2016 European Car of Year, a game-changer award from Autocar and category wins at the Auto Express, What Car? and Fleet News awards.

In Scotland, Vauxhall was the largest selling manufacturer, according to figures released by the Scottish Motor Trade Association. Vauxhall has been number one in the region for the last nine years.

With over 10,000 sold last year, the Corsa was Scotland's best-selling car. The top-selling Corsa has been Scotland's best-selling car for seven out of the last eight years. Two other Vauxhall models featured in Scotland's top ten best-sellers, including the Astra in fifth place with 5,260 sold and the Mokka in tenth place with 3,843 sold.

And if that wasn't enough, Vauxhall is the number one supplier to Police fleets with a 70 per cent market share of competitive segments. A position it hopes to strengthen after opening the largest Police car factory in Europe at its manufacturing plant in Luton, Bedfordshire last year.

"The Astra is the best family car on the market," said Rory Harvey, Vauxhall's Chairman

and Managing Director. "After winning a host of top awards, 2016 was the new Astra's first full year on the market and I am very pleased to see it top its segment in the fourth quarter and the second half of the year. Now we focus on 2017, with our bestever product portfolio and five new models in the pipeline.'

Vauxhall is set for a groundbreaking 2017, with a total of five major product launches that will add further variety to its range, already one of the largest in the UK, while at the same time entering new market segments. The five new models are the Insignia Grand Sport, Sports Tourer and Country Tourer, Crossland X and Grandland X.



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football around the south somerset teams

weekend.

Cup final success for Forton Rangers

Ilminster edged out in promotion clash - Shepton title hopes take a hit

MIDWEEK NEWS

FORTON RANGERS 2 HAWKCHURCH UTD 1 Perry Street League – Division One Cup Final (at Crewkerne)

HAWKCHURCH United were the brides maids once again as they tasted defeat in the Division One Cup Final for the second successive year and have still yet to get their hands on the 63-year-

But the competition holds no such frustration for Forton Rangers who are one of the most successful teams and have now got their name on the cup

The Hawks started well and thought they should have been awarded an early penalty when James Melville appeared to be hauled down after rounding Forton keeper Adam Smith, but referee Bob Brunt waved away the Devonians' appeals.

At the other end Forton had the ball in the net when Chris Warry arrowed a free-kick straight into the top corner but referee Brunt disallowed the effort with a Rangers player offside and running in front of Hawks' gloveman James Mitcham - a decision which bemused the Rangers players and supporters.

Aside from the opening 10 minutes, Forton boss Dave Ellis felt his side dominated and deservedly took the lead when top-scorer Robbie Walker netted at the near post for his 14th goal of the season seven minutes before the

Hawkchurch switched to a 4-4-2 formation in the second half with Gavin Herrod joining Melville up top and the change paid dividends when the pair linked well with the former slotting home from the edge of the box midway through the half.

The winner came in unfortunate circumstances when a low Warry cross was turned into his own net by Hawkchurch midfielder Jack Larcombe.

Saturday, January 7th Toolstation League Div One – att; 68 CHARD TOWN O ASHTON & BACKWELL 2

CHARD Town's impressive seven-game unbeaten home run at Zembard Lane came to an end with a 2–0 defeat against Ashton & Backwell who played for 75 minutes with 10 men.

The visitors took and early lead when George Saunders slotted home from a tight angle in the fifth minute.

But their ranks were reduced 10 minutes later when Connor Saunders was shown a straight red card after stamping on Tauofik ben Salem who was booked for his part in the incident.

The Robins tried to make the most of their numerical supremacy but failed to find a breakthrough and Saunders netted his second four minutes from time. Next up for Chard is Saturday's visit

by Bishops Sutton (3pm ko).

SW Peninsula League Division One (E) AXMINSTER TOWN 3 SIDMOUTH TOWN 1 A THIRD consecutive win has seen

Axminster Town bounce back up to fifth spot in the South West Peninsula League table.

The Tigers had neighbours Sidmouth on the back foot in the early stages as they roared into a 2-0 lead inside the opening 10 minutes. Aaron Daniels opened the scoring after

challengimg Sidmouth keeper Josh MaClean. Jon Hurford then crossed for Liam Cleal to double the advantage

from six yards out. A Shaun Densham header from a free kick gave the Vikings hope soon after the interval, but the win was sealed when Daniels picked out Cleal with a fine through ball and the winger round Maclean and rolled home his second of the afternoon. Sidmouth finished the game with 10-men when a defender received a late second yellow card. Axminster are without a fixture next

SOMERSET LEAGUE

ILMINSTER TOWN 0 PORTISHEAD TOWN RES 1 THIRD-placed Ilminster Town's promotion hopes received a blow when they were edged out by title favourites Portishead Town Reserves at the Archie Gooch Pavilion Ground.

The match winner came after 15 minutes when a harmless through ball somehow squirmed from the reach of home keeper Casper Paine and the loose ball was slotted home from an acute angle.

The visitors were reduced to 10 men 15 minutes later when Ben Davis was shown a straight red card for a two-

footed tackle on Jonny May.
From here Ilminster took control and created a host of good chances – the best of which fell to Jack Male – but came up against a visiting keeper in superb form who also went on to deny Taylor Jefferson in a couple of one-onone chances.
The Blues thought they had equalised

midway through the second half when a free kick was palmed out to Joe Simmons who tucked the ball away only for his effort to be ruled out by an offside

flag.
"It juts wasn't our day," said Ilminster manager Jason Manley who was disap-pointed by the disallowed goal: "Everybody in the ground could see it was a fair goal, but their manager, who was running the line, stuck his flag up and you have to take the decision.

llminster welcome midtablers Uphill Castle next Saturday (2pm ko).

DEVON & EXETER LEAGUE

PERRY STREET 8 NEWTON POPP'RD 1 (D3) WITH rivals Bampton being held by Axminster Town Reserves, Perry Street made ground in the Division Three promotion race with an eight -

goal mauling of Newton Poppleford. Street were out of the blocks quickly and soon led through strikes from Ben Mear and Billy Sheahan.

Mear netted number three and Ben Smith the fourth before the vistors pulled one back before half time.

Shehan scored twice more after the interval to complete a fine hat-trick Josh Chadwick and Callum Machattie also appeared on the score

Street are in Somerset Junior cup action when they visit Radstock Town A with a place in the semi-finals at stake.

Cranbrook 4 Ilminster Town Res 0 (D7) ILMINSTER Town Reserves' hopes of a top-two finish were dented by a 4-0 reverse on Saturday. The Blues' second string will look to put things right when they visit Colyton Reserves next Sat-

PERRY STREET LEAGUE PREMIER BEAMINSTER 6 SHEPTON BEAUCHAMP 1

NEWLY crowned Coronation Cup champions Beaminster took a major step towards the Premier Division title with a comprehensive victory over rivals Shepton Beauchamp.

Beaminster took the lead after just 70 seconds when Rich Hebditch drilled a 20-yard free-kick under the Shepton defensive wall.

Murray Legg then looped home a header to make it 2-0 before Shepton had really got going. Two became three when Hebditch netted his second free kick of the game. The first half scoring was completed

when Ryan Gall rose well to head home his first goal of the season.

The visitors, boosted by the return of Kris Hastings and Dan Smith, looked better in the early stages of the second half and pulled one back through Brad

At the other end Hebditch squandered the chance of a hat-trick when his penalty was saved by Rich Pippin but the league top scorer atoned soon after with his 36th goal of the season.

The scoring was rounded off when Legg chested home a cross.

CHARD UTD 6 DRIMPTON 1

CHARD United moved up in to midtable with a comfortable win over Drimpton.

Dan Rogers led the way in front of goals with a hat-trick with United's other goals coming from Tom Newport (2) and Brad Davies. Barry Hayne netted the Drimpton consolation to record his 300th career goal.

South Petherton 2 Combe Reserves 1

"WE controlled the game but were awful in front of goal," was Pethy boss' Karl Diment's assessment as his side moved up to second spot in the table. Ashley Smith put the hosts ahead from the edge of the box and the lead was

doubled midway through the second half courtesy of substitute Ryan Thurgood's 15th goal of the season.

W & M CHINNOCK 2 MISTERTON 6

BOTH sides finished Saturday' lively local derby game at Oxleaze with 10-

Missy stormed into a 2-0 lead before The Cinns joint-player manager Tom Charles halved the deficit with a fine free-kick

But the visitors led 3-1at the interval and never looked back.

Their advantage was extended to 5-1 before Liam Samways scored the hosts' second consolation only for Misterton to round off the scoring and a deserved victory.

Jack Blunn led the Misterton goal scoring with a hat-trick with Harry Charles (2) and Jason Rendall netting the others with Chaz Warren impressing at right back.

Matt Harvey saw red for the hosts at 2–5 while Harry Manley was shown two yellow cards for Misterton.

WINSHAM UTD 1 BARRINGTON 4

BARRINGTON came from behind to remain in the championship race. A Corey Sutherland goal had the hosts

with their noses in front at half time. But Barrington were crafting chances

and finally took one in the 66th minute

when Alex Paul leveled.

Guy Dare then put the Yellow Hammers ahead and Andy Whitefield put the cherry on the winning cake with a late double.

Barrington were pleased to see Ashley Lock complete his first 90 minutes after a major knee operation.

OTHER SCORES

DIV ONE; Combe A 8 (A.Tovey 3, R.Fanyinka 2, M.Usher, R.Curwood, S.Vincent) S. Peth Res 3 (D.Goodson 2, H.Clayton), Pymore 3 Merriott Rov 2 (D.Rudge, M.Browncey), Shepton Beau Res 4 (J.Brain, S.Rowlands, T.Lock, T.Crocker) Uplyme 6 (D.Boot 2, N.Fifer, F.thomson, B.Rowe, J.Bearpark), Waytown Hounds 2 (T.Rutland, A.Cody–Boutcher) Forton Rangers 0.

DIV TWO; Dowlish & Donytt 2 (N.Doey M.Baker) Charmouth 1, Halstock 14 (M.Cawley 4, J.Parrott 4, M.Whitmarsh 2, C.Tanner, J.Tavener, A.Leckenby, OG) Chard Utd Reserves 0.

DIV THREE; Farway Utd Reserves 2 (T.Rich, OG) Chard Rangers Reserves 8 (A.Evans 4, John Mason, K.Fletcher, x2 OGs), Forton Res 4 (S.Packer, J.Alford, E.James, B.Marsden) Ilminster Town A 1 (M.Vinall), Misterton Res 5 (C.Preston 2 S.Weston, K.Bailey, K.Adams, A.Dodge) Merriott Dynamos 1 (D.McCall), Thorncombe Reserves 6 (W.Stanton 6) Chard Utd All Stars 0.

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NEW Year's day was witness to some 60 or so hardy souls starting the year as they in-tend to finish. Members from across the club competed in a Texas Scramble, with a shotgun start at 9am.

The weather was bound to influence proceedings, with most ending their rounds very wet, cold and tired! Not so for the Phillips family, of Julian and sons Ben and Jake, who took the top prize.

The first meeting of the year for the Tuesday Mixed was attended by only 12 players despite the glorious sunshine.

A hard frost meant that temporary greens were in play for the American Foursomes format. Despite this Sue Ritchie & Rob Sex-ton achieved an excellent 40 points and won top prize. Next were Cathy Uttley & Paul Ritchie with 39 points.

On a bright Wednesday the ladies got back into the swing and played a Green-somes with mostly temporary greens – providing some uncertainty. Despite this some good scores were

posted, notably by Sue Ritchie & Elizabeth Ward who came in with an unbeatable

in second were Tricia Swindell & Olwen Eaton with 34 followed by Linda Blundell & Janet Hughes with 32 on count-back.

On Friday 56 Seniors took part in an individual Stableford, coupled with the fourth round of their Winter Eclectic competition.

Peter Clarke, on 34 points was first in Division One with Mike Ward, Dave Maggs and Paul Ritchie hot on his heels, each with 33 points and separated by count-back.

In Division Two Howard Pritchard romped home with 41 points and a handicap reduction. John Vessey was second on 36, John Pawley third on 35 and Larry Goodliffe

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AXE CLIFF with Peter Motson

THE Seniors played their last Stableford match of 2016 on December 30th and the best score was by R Heard (HC 15) who came in with a nice 36 pts.

Close behind in 2nd was N Garwood (HC 16) with 35 and, in 3rd place, on countback, was N Moorcraft (HC 18) with 34 together with A Bishop (HC23) who was 4th also with 34. P McGuire and N Moorcraft both carded twos.

The ladies section played for the Hangover Cup on January 4th although it was not apparent that any ladies was still suffering!

The competition was a stableford over 15 holes and in firstt place was Margaret Kenchington with 32 pts. In second place was Jo Donmall with 26

and in third was Anne Jarvis with 23 on countback from Pauline Willis in 4th place.

CRICKET ST THOMAS with Bert Robinson

A SHORTENED week for the Seniors started on Wednesday when 44 members attended

a four-man Texas scramble event in which each team member was required to take at least four drives.

With conditions being favourable, combined with receptive greens, scores of well under par were predicted. Martin Bargery's team led the field for the early starters with a score of 59.0 which was just 0.25 of a shot better than Dickie Hall's side. However, later in the day, Frank Martin led his side into the clubhouse with an impressive 56.8. Result: 1st Frank Martin; Barrie Heath;

Barrie Singleton & John Pearce 56.8, 2. Martin Bargery; John Wandless; Robin Flower & Mike Aldridge 59.0, 3rd Dickie Hall; Frank Singleton; Ian Fielder & C. Hiam 59.25. Meanwhile, 52 Seniors attended the four

man "Hassle" competition on Friday. Once again, the benign conditions were responsible for the good scores recorded, with the early starters having the best of the conditions before rain hampered the tail enders. Only 1.4 shots separated the first three

teams and seven teams sub 60 scores.

Brian Marsh's side set the landmark early on with an impressive 57.5 nett score which was a mere 0.1 of a shot better than Nick Hill's side. Later in the day, Richard Forster and his team triumphed with a score of 55.

Result; 1st Richard Forster; James Siabi; Bob Rees & Stuart Forbes 55.80, 2nd Brian Marsh; Dave Walgrove; Ian Griffiths & Rod Stevens 57.50, 3rd Nick Hill; Barrie Singleton; Nobby Hodder & Norman Markby

ilminster angling

ber 28th was well attended with 17 anglers eager to get on the bank after the A crisp cold day saw quite a few strug-

gle although the leading weights were still respectable. Tackleuk's Scott Russell on peg six found two bonus bream on the pole and along with some small roach weighed 10lb 10oz for the top weight on the day. Jamie Rich was second with 7lb 5oz from peg 19, Jamie had mainly small roach on maggot and pinkie although he did have a nice skimmer of 1.5lb on caster. Paul Homewood was third with four

skimmers, a nice perch and some small fish on the feeder for 6lb 5oz from peg two. **Sections**; A — Ashley Tomkins (Tackleuk) – 4lb 8oz. B – Rob Cox (Ilmin-ster) – 5lb 5oz. Meanwhile, 12 members were on the

Isle for the first match of 2017. It was quite mild to start before the weather took a turn for the worse, the wind picked up and the anglers had to endure freezing rain for most of the match. Leighton Cox was the only

angler to break double figures with 10lb of roach and perch from the first peg above the road at Hambridge.

Graham Field took second with lots of small fish for 6lb 2oz from peg 126 at Isle Brewers and Steve Hurford was third with 4lb 4oz of roach and perch from peg After six matches Graham Field leads

the league with seven points followed by

Jamie Rich on eight and Rob Cox and Steve Parker with 10.

1ST Leighton Cox (Ilminster) – 10lb 2ND Graham Field (Taunton) — 6lb 2oz 3rd Steve Hurford (Ilminster) — 4lb 4oz.

Sections; A – Baz Morgan (Somersei Angling) – 3lb 14oz, B – Stuart Aplir (Ilminster) – 4lb 2oz. Rich haul sees Jamie top

Finally, nine members fished round five of the V.E.S. Precision league on the Isle on Sunday and, after some rain on Friday the river was in perfect condition. Some very good weights were recorded with Jamie Rich coming out or top with a lovely net of mainly roach or

the pole and caster weighing 20lb 50z from peg 128 at Isle Brewers. Adie Bishop was second with 10lb 90z from peg H5 at Hambridge which in-

cluded some big perch and Graham Field was third with 9lb 4oz of roach from peg H1 below the road. After five matches and dropping the

worst result, Adie Bishop leads the league with seven points followed by Steve Parker on eight and Graham Field

Round seven of the Royal Oak league is on Sunday and the draw is at the pub between 8.30 and 9am.

Scores; 1st Jamie Rich (Against Mer and Fish) — 20lb 5oz, 2n Adie Bishor (Taunton) — 10lb 9oz, 3rd Graham Field (Taunton) – 9lb 4oz. Sections; A - Baz Morgan (Somerse

Angling) – 5lb 11oz, B – Rob Cox (Ilmin-ster) – 8lb.

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Colyton

Div 1: Gerrard A 346 (R Hooper 68) Vine B 376 (R Blackmore 73); New Inn A 354 (N Jones 74) Seaton FC A 345 (W Doble 64); Lamb B 335 (A Churchill 63) Lamb A 316 (S Pomeroy 62); Tuckers Arms B 395 (K Tratt 76) Cloakham B 367 (P Miller 69); Colcombe A 429 (S Marks 80) Axminster Con A 431 (I Mac-Donald 79); Red Lion Cavaliers 390 (R Summers 69) Honiton Con D 381 (W Collins 70); Colyton Club A 347 (P Clode 64) Red Lion A 337 (Jo Flint 61).

Div 2: Vine A 336 (C Every 67) Gerrard B 331 (D Tucker 68); Dolphin Vikings 379 (K Aris 74) Honiton WMC A 365 (S Pye 75); Eagle Tavern 385 (B Hutchings 80) Kings Arms Beers 361 (M Archibold 68); Ship C 360 (V Trivett 68) Honiton Converts 346 (A Rose 71); Tuckers A 356 (D Dower 68) Volunteer A 360 (S Charlton 66); Sidbury Stones 372 (G Sweetland 87) Colcombe Beerboys 367 (C Vine 76): Wheelwright A 355 (C Hammett 73) Offwell A 343 (I

Bell 67). **Div 3**: Three Tuns BTP 293 (M Davies 54) Red Lion Sidbury 298 (N Barrett 54); Cloakham Wanderers 356 (A Arnold 67) Mountbatten Whites 369 (T Revell 75); Wilmington Harts 359 (J Woollacott 69) Colcombe B 346 (M Bleaken, T Yates 65); White Hart B 340 (G Binmore 63) Ship Inn A 347 (P Ives 68); Kingfisher A 303 (M Griffiths57) Vine Nomads 312 (P Norman 61). Div 4: Seaton FC B 359 (J

Furber 65) New Inn B 316 (D Hodder, P Ross 58); Honiton Con A 323 (L Dunn, M Richards 57) Rising Sun B 309 (D Hall 62); Rising Sun A 350 (R Drew, G West 69) Axminster Inn A 330 (S Palmer 63); Kings Arms A 344 (K Cooke 68) Winstons A 332 (P Burrows, B Parker 61); Honiton ConArtists 345 (Debbie Soan 69) Heathfield A 357 (M

Philipps 67); **Div 5**: Sidmouth Arms Kings 341 (O Fuller 70) Dolphin B 349

(Abbie Gribble 71); Heathfield B 347 (M Glaeser 65) White Hart A 373 (Ros Hallworth 73): Winstons KOOTS 332 (R Woolland, J Miles 64) Kingfisher B 326 (S Tribe 58): Honiton Con Raiders 336 (T Foster 67) Tuckers Arms D 298 (D Bennett 55); Colcombe Nomads 388 (P Easter 78) Seaton Bowling club 342 (J Wright 65); Offwell B 379 (S Scotland 72) Colyton Club B 424 (S Riley 86).

Division One Pld	Pts
Red Lion Cavs	22
New Inn A	20
Axe Con A	19
Gerrard A	19
Vine B	18
Tuckers Arms B	15
Colyton Club A	13
Honiton Con D	12
Lamb B	12
Seaton AFC A	10
Red Lion A	8
Colcombe A	6
Cloakham B	4
Lamb A	4
Division Two Pld	Pts
Vine A 13	

Division Two Pld	P
Vine A	2
Volunteer A	2
Offwell A	1
Sidbury SC Stones	1
Dolphin Vikings	1
Wheelwright A	1
Ship C13	1
Colcombe Beerboys	1
Honiton WMC A	1
Eagle Tavern	1
Gerrard B	
Honiton Converts	
Kings Arms Beers	
Tuckers Arms A	
Division Three Pld	Pt
Cloakham Wanderers 10	1
Wilmington Harts11	1
Sidbury Village Inn11	1

Division Three Pld	Pts
Cloakham Wanderers	14 14
Wilmington Harts11	
Sidbury Village Inn11	13
Mountbatten Whites	12
Volunteer B10	12
White Hart B10	12
Vine Nomads	11
Kingfisher A	10
Red Lion Sidbury	9
Three Tuns BTP 10	8
Ship A	6
Colcombe B11	6
Division Four Pld	Pts
Rising Sun A11	20
Kings Arms A11	16

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Honiton WMC B	11	1
Axe Inn A	11	1
Heathfield A	11	1
Winstons	11	1
Honiton Con A	11	
New Inn B	11	
Rising Sun B	11	
Seaton AFC B	11	
Tuckers Arms C	11	
Honiton Con Artists	11	
Division Five	Pld	P
Colcombe Nomade	11	-

Division Five Pld	Pts
Colcombe Nomads	20
Colyton Club B11	18
Offwell Rejects	14
Sidmouth Arms Kings	14
Dolphin B	12
Seaton Bowling	12
Winstons Koots	12
Kingfisher B	10
Heathfield B	8
White Hart A11	8
Honiton Con Raiders	2
Tuckers Arms D	2

Axminster

Men's League December 21st Div 1: B&Gs 340 (J Cloud 62) Green Army 356 (J Lack 67), Lamb Spartans 359 (S Flint 66) Old Kilm A 309 (I Huntley 59), Red Devils 419 (G Fisher 74) Thorncombe Drifters 369 (J Collins 69), Thorncombe B 308 (M Boulton 54) Tuckers C 365 (D Roberts 68), Gerrard D 333 (W Mudd 61) Wootton Cowboys 342 (J Jones 61), Kingfisher Feds 320 (P Squire 62) Red Lion D 280 (J Hoole 57), Axe Con Rebels 293 (S Pomeroy 54) Sidmouth Arms 287 (S Durrant 54). Div 2: Colcombe A 437 (J

Williams F Batten 81) Axe Inn Jokers 427 (A Churchill 80), Wootton Sherberts 336 (L Baker 68) Gerrard A 306 (R Collier 59), Tuckers Maggots 367 (K Schultze 75) Thorncombe A 353 (M Stead 68), New Inn C 343 (R Webb 67) Lamb A 332 (D Jones Div 3: AxFC IV 407 (J

Mitcham 85) Axe Con Club A 372 (A Sampson 78), AxFC Halfcuts 412 (I Strawbridge 75) Halfcuts 412 (1 Strawbridge 75) King Wingers 447 (P Brooker 89), Gerrard B 368 (R Voysey 68) AX FC A 376 (T Webber 73), Axe Inn A 331 (T Pratt 61) Colcombe B 331 (P Wyatt 69).

Div 4; Lamb 49rs 307 (J Larcombe 55) Lamb Shanks 297 (A Wells-Burr 59), Winston Wob-blers 335 Ship Rotary 313 (J Brennan 60), WH Colyford 356 Tuckers Y 329 (L Burrough 63), Bottle Inn 325 (A Harre 64) Gerrard C 330 (G Seward 61), King-fisher A 284 (J Skelton 56) New Inn Hawks 281 (I Hampson 57) Bevs Boys 346 (M Jones 64) Colcombe Nomads 357 (B Sheddon 68).

Division Two Pld	Pts
Gerrard D	4
Thorncombe Drifters	8
Red Lion D	10
Old Inn Kilmington A 14	10
Green Army14	10
The Feds (Kingfisher)	12
Sidmouth Arms (Upottery)14	14
Red Lion Red Devils	14
Tuckers C	16
Wooton Cowboys	16
Thorncombe B	18
Lamb Spartans	20
Ax Con Club Rebels14	22
D & US	44

Thorncombe A	2
Thorncombe C	2
Wooton Sherberts	2
Axe Inn Jokers	1
New Inn Kilmington C 14	1
Tuckers Maggots	1
Colcombe A	1
New Inn Kilmington A 13	1
White Hart Warriors12	1
Cloakham Stars	1
White Hart Wilmington A 13	1
Red Lion C10	
Gerrard A	
Lamb A	

Division Three	Pld
Gerrard B	13
Old Inn Kilmington B	12
Axminster Inn B	11
Axminster FC IV	13
King Wingers	12
Axminster Halfcuts	12
Axe Con Club A	
Axminster Inn A	13
Axminster FC A	12
Kings Arms Seaton A	11
Axminster FC B	
White Hart Wilmington B	11
Colcombe B	

Division Four	Pld	I
Lamb 49s	13	
Lamb Shanks	13	
Colcombe Nomads	12	
Seaton Bowling Club	10	
New Inn Hawks	13	

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December 19th

Div 1; Gerrard Guzzlers 320 (M Smith 62) Axe Inn A 332 (C Banner 58), Colcombe A 429 (A Ogden 86) Seaton BC 376 (Di M 71), New Inn B 278 (W Mitcham 50) Wotnots 304 (B Crispin 58), Thorncombe Newtops 333 (M Fursman 59) New Inn A 310 (P Hurford, J Cook 63), Colcombe Girls 341 (A Wren 65) Red Lion A 373 (J

Div 2; Axe Inn Allsorts 268 (J Pring 54) Gerrard A 267 (S Gardner 53), Red Lion Rabble 317 (F Bagge 61) Colcombe Angels 289 (J Binmore 60), B&Js Cloakham 364 (A Dredge 82) Thorncombe A 323 (B Harding, Kim Gaylard 62), Tuckers B 350 (S Cooper 70) Tuckers A 326 (M Hurford 61), Ax FC Battleaxes 368 (S Bennett 71) Cloakham A 362 (A Ellis 64), Seaton FC 314 (T Kenworthy, L Smitham 64) Colcombe B 308 (S Wilton 56).

Ladies Division One P	Id	Pt
Axe Inn A	11	18
Wotnots	10	18
Seaton Bowling Club	11	10
Colcombe Girls	11	12
Red Lion A	11	12
Rousdon Ladies	11	1
Colcombe A	10	10
New Inn A	11	9
Bees Knees	10	,
Gerrard Guzzlers	11	1
New Inn B	10	4
Thorncombe Newtops	11	4
Ladies Division Two P	ld	Pt

Ladies League

Axe Inn A	18
Wotnots	18
Seaton Bowling Club 11	16
Colcombe Girls	12
Red Lion A	12
Rousdon Ladies	11
Colcombe A	10
New Inn A	2
Bees Knees	
Gerrard Guzzlers	7
New Inn B	4
Thorncombe Newtops	4
Ladies Division Two Pld	Pts
White Hart Wilmington A 12	
Tuckers Arms B	
Dottle Area 12	14

 Tuckers Arms B
 12

 Battle Axes
 12

 Cloakham A
 12

 B & Js
 12

 Seaton FC
 11

 Gerrard A
 11

 Colcombe B
 12

 Tuckers Arms A
 12

Crewkerne & District

NOTE: Division Three team Kings Men have changed alley from The Kings Arms, Crewk-erne to The Muddled Man, West

Chinnock with immediate effect.
Meanwhile, the last day of trading at **The Portman Arms** in East Chinnock was December 31st, t has now closed.

The **Headhunters** are relocating to The Squirrel Inn, Laymore, near Winsham, TA20 4NT (telephone 01460 30298).

Divisionals Cup R1 **Division One**; Mighty Ducks 166 Royal Oak 182, Rollers 235v Headhunters 204, Super Sexy Six 223 Odd Bobs 172, Stray Cats 234 Lost Boys 257.

Division Two; Pinbusters 250 Ugly Ducklings 263, Raptors 256 Brewers Bees 250, Fudders 219 Muppets 262, Loud & Proud 236 Skimmers 225

Division Three; Concorde 265 Royal Chokers 271, Likely Lads w/o v Beer Leg Boys, Kings Jesters 265 Willy Low Flyers 277, Chis Colts 239 Rotary 242.

Division One

Super Sexy Six	
Lost Boys	
Mighty Ducks10	
The Coachmen	
Headhunters	
Football Club	
Rollers	
Stray Cats	
King Willy Dogs10	
Odd Bobs	
Sports 92	
Royal Oak Drimpton 10	
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Division Two Pld	P
Loud & Proud	8
Brewers Bees	-
Skimmers	-
Skimmers	í
Perrott Monkeys	6
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| Raptors | 10 | Muppets | 10 | Ugly Ducklings | 10 | Fudders | 10 | Expers | 10 |

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Division Three

East Devon Hunt Division One Pld Pls Culm Vale .13 20 Blacksmiths .11 18 Marvels .13 16 Honiton Clyst .12 12 Idaton .13 14 Sutton Wanderers .12 12 Ur Arrs .12 12 Auctioneers .13 12 Foxenhole .12 .11 Marsh Green .12 .10 Stags .13 .12

Sidford	
Division Two Pld	Pt
Jack's Lads	- 2
A Team	
Latecomers	
Zulu Warriors	
Keepers12	
Perkins Village	
Breakaways12	
Cocks & Hens	
Top Cats	
Awliscombe Shoot	
Tuckers Arms	
Brooksiders	
Bakers 8	
Division Three Pld	Pt

New Inn10
Broadclyst
Guys & Gals12
Bashers7
Tetties10
Goldtops
Axe Valley12
Alley Cats12
Here for the Beer10
Cee Dee's
Maynards
/oyo's11
Earth Stoppers
op Scores; James Sanders (Cocks
Iens), Roger Yarde (Stags) & Steve
Vebber (Breakaways) all 88. Derek
Bradshaw (A Team), Ian Lovering (

darts colyton & district

RESULTS (1001/Pairs first): **Week 13**: Halesy's Bar B 5(2) Golden Hind 0(4); Dolphin B 1(4) Kingfisher B 4(2); Vault B 1(3) Royal Clarence A 4(3); Kingfisher A 1(4) Dolphin A 4(2); New Inn 1(0) Halesy's

Bar A 4(6).

Week 14: New Inn 1(1) Dolphin A 4(5); Kingfisher A 5(6) Royal Clarence A 0(0) (default win); Dolphin B 2(3) Golden Hind 3(3); Halesy's Bar B 2(3) Kings Arms 3(3).

Highest Finishes:120 Steve Hayes (Halesy's Bar B), 116 Maxi French (both Halesy's Bar B); 112 Jamie McLennan (Kings Arms).

1001 pairs Tucker Cup	Pla	Pt:
Halesy's Bar B	12	4
Halesy's Bar A	11	46
Kings Arms	12	37
Dolphin A	12	36
Vault A	11	34
Golden Hind	12	32
Kingfisher A	11	26
Kingfisher B	11	25
Vault B	11	23
Dolphin B	12	19
Clarence A	11	10
New Inn	10	

180s: Michelle Harvey (Vault B).

9-Dart Leg: Maxi French & Steve Hayes (both Halesy's Bar B).

Default wins have been credited to The Golden Hind and Vault A for late cancellations of matches earlier in the season.

This year's Rockett Cup triples knockout was won by the Halesy's Bar A team of Alex Anning, Wayne Doble & Steve Bond, who beat the Dolphin A triple of Flynn Jones, Karl Collier & Mark Edworthy 2-1 in the final, full results can be found on the website http://colytondarts.musburyvillage.co.uk

Singles – Maundrill Cup Pld	Pts
Halesy's Bar A11	51
Halesy's Bar B12	49
Kings Arms12	45
Dolphin A12	43
Vault A	41
Kingfisher A11	37
Vault B11	34
Golden Hind12	33
Kingfisher B11	26
Dolphin B12	24
Clarence A	13
New Inn10	12

darts crewkerne & district

Division One	Pld	Pts	Division Two
Hot Shots	10	87	The Profession
Why	10	74	The Dart Side
Mighty Oaks	10	66	Rosie's Rebel
King Willy	8	57	Who Knows.
Crusaders	10	52	The Bandits .
Jokers	9	51	Pigs on Tour.
Cats Eyes	9	41	Del Boys
Happy Hooters	8	38	Doublé Troub
Wafty Crankers	8	33	Job Lot Crew
Clubbers		22	Globetrotters
Madrid Reserves	8	18	Highest get o
Highest get out; L.G	iosney 15	58.	5 0

Division Two	Pld	Pts
The Professionals	9	59
The Dart Side	8	57
Rosie's Rebels	8	56
Who Knows	9	52
The Bandits	8	44
Pigs on Tour	7	43
Del Boys	8	42
Double Trouble	7	38
Job Lot Crew	8	21
Globetrotters		17
Highest get out; J.Adar		j

darts chard & district Premier Division

Rejects Return	.5	102	Cult of Personality	6	52
High 4 & a Half	.5	98	PAs	6	50
Hobnobs	.6	73	Nice Ricks	6	49
Wanderers	.5	72	Pig Jockeys		47
Crusaders		63	Most 180s; S.Castl		play-
BDBs		59	ers x1.		' '
Happy Sharks	.5	49			
Hopefuls	.5	35	Division Two	Pld	Pts
Most 180s; L.Cox x4, S.R	Rutt	ter	HRT	6	76
x 3, G.Knight, G.Hill & P.La	wre	ence	Happy Days	7	70
all x2, seven players x1.			Madhouse Crew	6	67
			Stumpy's Gang	5	51
Division One P	ld	Pts	No skill, just lucky .		45
Okey Doaks	.7	84	Dizzy Tarts		38
Down's		60	The Haymaker		20

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		Stumpy's Gang5	51
Division One Pld	Pts	No skill, just lučky5	45
Okey Doaks	84	Dizzy Tarts4	38
Down's6	69	The Haymaker5	30
Pop Darts6	66	Two minute crew4	26
Random Tossers6		Most 180s; A.Pidgeon x1	

football county u18

Call ups for local young stars

A QUINTET of local footballers have been selected as part of the Devon County FA U18 squad for upcoming South & West Counties Championship matches against Somerset Gloucestershire.

Sidmouth Town's Jamie Newberry, Josh McLean, Ollie Binion and Tom Badcott will be joined by Axminster Town's Tony Pinder in the 16-man line-ups, while Sidmouth's Lyme Regis-born Tyler Wellman is included in the standby list

Fixtures:

Tonight, January 10th Devon v Somerset (at Devon County FA Headquarters, Coach Road, Newton Abbot, TQ12 1EJ -7.30pm ko).

Saturday, January 21st Devon v Gloucestershire (at Devon County FA Headquarters, 2pm ko)

short mat east devon league

FIS	Oponery	
10	Beer	
7	Ottery St Mary 6	
6	Seaton Yellow6	
5		
4	Afternoon D2 Pld	P
4	St Teresa's	
2	Seaton Blue 6	
	Combe St Nicholas B 6	
Pts	Chard	
10	Sidford Blue6	
9	Lyme Regis 6	
8		
7	Afternoon D3 Pld	P
5	Hemyock B	
1	Musbury	
	Seaton Green 6	
Pts	Colyton B 6	
10	Combe St Nicholas A 6	
8	Sidford White5	
	10 7 6 5 4 4 2 Pts 10 9 8 7 5 1	10 Beer

starter's orders running news

Hawker fleads them home at Axmouth

AXE VALLEY RUNNERS

with Dave Mutter

THERE was a bumper turnout of 189 for the SEATON PARK RUN held on New Year's Eve with many seasonal holiday runners tak-

The race was won by Joe Woodley of Skyrac AC in 17:20, with Samuel White of Shelton Striders 2nd, 17:28 and Simon Davis 3rd 17:48

AVR's Flo Swan was once again the first lady, 12th overall in 20:09.

This week's Seaton 3K parkrun was won by Simon Durrant in 19:44 with Adrian Cornford of Crewkerne RC 2nd, 19:44 and AVR's James Gular 3rd, 20:00. Sara Pearce was the ladies winner, 7th overall, 22:59 with AVR's Eleanor Taylor 2nd lady, 10th overall, 23:22. Keith Agland was 2nd AVR and 1st over 60 in a new PB of 22:51.
Further afield Dave Kelf ran the GOR-

LESTON CLIFFS PARKRUN in 33:19, 229th out of 284 which was his quickest time for 18 months.

Emma Kiernan ran the FIRST CHANCE 10k in Exeter, a great flat 10k which attracted over 500 runners and Emma ran brilliantly to finish 76th in 40:32, just ahead of James Ashforth 89th, 41:44.

HONITON RUNNING CLUB with Judy Davey

ALTHOUGH some Club Members headed for Axmouth for the hills on Sunday others opted for a pancake flat 10K from the Quay along the river in Exeter known as the FIRST CHANCE which is a two loop circuit mostly on tarmac and gives fast times

The winner was Phil Wylie from Cheltenham in 31:02. Roger Saunders led the HRC runners home coming first in his category in a time of 43:37 his fastest for 10 years. Katy Campbell was next in 47:21. Jay Sweetman followed in 49:56. Anne Carter was close behind in 50:28. Asilah Jarrald and Clare Melbourne were close with Asilah just getting in front at 51:27 and Clare in 51:36 and both smashed their PBs.

Phil Hall finished in 57:44 which he was pleased with as he had not run for some

Honiton's Kevin Hawker won the Axe Valley Runners' Axmouth Challenge 10 miler in a time of 1 hour and 14 seconds. Adam Hennessey had a great race to come 8th in 1:06:13. David Hawker also ran well to come 12th in 1:10:09 and Rod Inglis managed a category prize coming 19th in

Other results; Steve Davey 24th in 1:17:55, Hadleigh Davies 28th in 1:20:54, Judy Davey 31st in 1:21:22,there were 58

Howard Bidmead has suffered from injury

recently and decided to give the five-mile version a go. He came fourth overall in 48:56 and was 1st in his category

The winner was Simon Davis in 35:45 and there were 17 finishers. The distance actually measured more like 5½ miles and with '10 mile' version only measuring 9.1.

There was also a three-mile run and a one mile run mainly for the children. Several Honiton youngsters took part in the onemiler with Max Spiller first for Honiton coming 8th in 12:18. His sister, Ella, came 12th in 13:47 and brothers Ben, Charlie and threeyear-old Harry Entwistle completed the HRC line up to come 13th in 15:22, 15th in 15:43 and 22nd in 19:23 respectively.

CHARD ROAD RUNNERS

with Paul Masters

CRR's were in action across two races last weekend – the STOKE STAMPEDE a 10k Road run on a fast route around the lanes of Stoke St Gregory

The Second was the AXMOUTH CHAL-LENGE a 10-mile off-road, hilly and muddy race above the village of Axmouth.

Addie Douglass, Matt Baker and Emma

Male ran together for the final sprint to the line; Addie crossed in 1h 38m 22s followed in by Matt and Emma both in 1h 38m 31s

Five runners took on the Stoke Stampede the Somerset 10k that has been held for



Wagstaff led the team home, followed by Stevie Potter who and posted a pb in 44.00 taking around two and a half minutes off her previous best. Simon Hall was pleased to come through in 56 minutes, Claire Pomeroy was next and close to getting under the hour mark, and it was great to see Miranda Coleberd run over the line in this early

crib round-up

RESULTS; Blacksmith Arms 3 Vine Inn A 5, Honiton Inn A 2 Thirsty Farmer 6, New Fountain 3 Feniton Soc B 5, Vine

Inn B 7 Workingmens A 1, Workingmens B 4 Honiton Inn B 4.

Captains Cup; Hedley Hawkins 0 Lorraine White 1, Julie Davis 1

Rita Freemantle 0, Lionel

Hawkins 0 Maureen Pen-

drick 1, Mike Dent 0 Brenda Flood 1, Steve

Pettitt 0 Audrey Hawkins

Fixtures (Jan 12th); Feniton Soc B v Feniton

Soc A, Honiton Inn B v

New Fountain, Thirsty

Farmer v Vine Inn B, Vine Inn A v Working-mens B, Workingmens A

v Blacksmith Arms.

Table
Blacksmiths Arms
Vine Inn B
New Fountain . . .

Thirsty Farmer . Workingmens A Workingmens B

Feniton Social B Honiton Inn B Feniton Social A Honiton Inn A

Captain's Cup Lionel Hawkins Julie Davis

Hedley Hawkins Rita Freemantle Brenda Flood . . Lorraine White

jack high bowls round-up

Tough start for local bowlers

HONITON with Julie Grant

THE new year has not started so well for the

The County Lane triples game against ISCA was lost 69–68, the best winning rinks were; at home – Gloria Randall, Jean Mitchell & Pearl Hackwood 17–12, and away; Carol Armitage, Judith Broom & Gail Hawke 21-16. This meant that Honiton scored four points.
In a friendly against SIDMOUTH Honiton

ladies lost 64–45 away, best rink; Carol Armitage, Val Kille, Maureen Parsons & Marian Vessey 19-22.

The mixed friendly away at BUDLEIGH SALTERTON was won 51–30, top rink players were; Carol Armitage, Joan Mackintosh, Ron Rogers & Tilly Tillier 26–12.

ILMINSTER with Des Maull

ILMINSTER Ladies run in the Double Rink ended with a loss to CLARRIE DUNBAR on both rinks.Line-ups: Away, Val Dargue, Norma Pugh, Heather Grinter and Maureen Mitchell; Home, Sue Donovan, Sarah lightfoot, Alison Atyeo and

AXMINSTER with David Harris

AXMINSTER Indoor Bowls Club won their three

mixed friendlies but suffered narrow defeats in their two County matches over the Christmas

The first of the friendlies saw us beat SID-MOUTH 67-57 at home with a winning rink of Malcolm Denslow, James Windsor, David Harris & Roger Legg (29–17) while the other rinks of Brian Downton, Mike Hennegan, Nigel Bond & Alfie Day and Brian Cursley, Glen Elliott, Neil Solomon & Derek Pheby were both unlucky to lose by just one shot.

Next we won 84–52 at BRIDPORT with wins

on all rinks; John Ellis, Marion Harris, Malcolm Denslow & John Hill (24–12), Pam Hunter, Gerald Knott, Neil Solomon & Derek Pheby (24–16), Brian Cursley, Nigel Bond, Jean Kesterton & George Mabon (19–11) and Sue Bond, Andy Curtis, David Harris & Brian Clark (17-13)

We then beat the NOMADS 80–37 at home again with wins on all rinks; Phil White, Andy Curtis, George Mabon & Alfie Day (30–12), Steven Apsey, David Harris, Ann Clayton & Brian Clark (28–12) and Sue Bond, Nigel Bond, Jean Kesterton & Margaret Crompton (22–13).

In the County matches the Ladies were unlucky to lose their 'Lanes' match 66-65 against ISCA with both home rinks winning well – Phil White, Sue Bond & Ann Clayton (21-13) and Barbara Mowatt, Sue Rowe & Jean Kesterton (19-9).On the same day the men lost their County

Over 60s match with HONITON by just three shots with their only winners being the away

rink of Malcolm Denslow, David Harris, Don Meylan & John Gough (25–11). In the only other game played the Ladies lost their friendly 67–52 at SIDMOUTH despite the great efforts of Brenda Edwards, Gill Campbell, Älison Glyde & Margaret Crompton (29–11).

CHARD SMBC with Janet Bodily

Friday, December 16th our visitors were six members from SIDFORD BLUE smbc for an East Devon League Match

Results - Singles; Norman Sumpter 9-2. Ron Genge 10–2, Ron Genge 3–6, Norman Sumpter

Pairs; Jenny Cornelius & George Milner 13-4, Beatrice Callagan & Roy Vaux 5–8, Beatrice Callagan & Roy Vaux 10–4, Jenny Cornelius & George Milner 9–6.

Final score Chard 65 Sidford Blue 36.

Milford & Dormor Mixed Triples League Thursday, December 15th; Harlequins 22 Greyhounds 4 Robins 11 Trull 10.

rugby chard

Big win, now Chard must back it up

Chard 27 Bideford 19 South West Division One CHARD'S recent good form continued with this

nail biting win writes Glyn Hughes. Chard were excellent in the first half and led the visitors 19-0 at the break but

Bideford refused to fold. Chard took the lead with an opportunist effort from Sijeur who took a quick tap penalty to score under the posts. Osman converted.

With 25 minutes gone Chard scored the best try seen at the club this season when, after some slick handling, winger Ben Stead cut inside and scored under the posts with Osman again

getting the extras. The Chard forwards were looking a lot more organised and aggressive than in recent matches with Ben Mainwaring impressing in both set and loose play.

The hosts increased their lead just before the interval when Johnson crossed in the corner for an unconverted effort.

Chard started the second half well and increased their lead with a second try from Sijeur who also then landed a penalty to put Chard 27-0 ahead.

But Bideford now at last showed what they were made of and totally dominated the last 20 minutes.

forwards tremendous, and tries from number eight Sam Griffin, flanker Alex Priest and prop Richard Norman plus two conversions from fly half Chris Snell really put Chard under the cosh and made the good crowd very

hope of survival alive but it really is vital that they get back to back wins for the first time this season when they travel to play at Kingsbridge next Saturday (2pm ko).

Morganians 22 Chard 2nd 6 Somerset Two (S)

CHARD gave leaders Morganians a run for their money but were only able to manage two penalty kicks.

The good news for Chard is that that they were able to field a strong squad and hopefully their season will now go from strength to strength.

Chard welcome neighbours Martock on Saturday - kick off 2pm.

Wells 12 Chard 3rds 24 CHARD 3rds were greeted

with a pitch which wouldn't look out of place in the Somme. Mud was the word of the day writes Gavin Watts.

From kick off the match was pretty even although the Chard pack had difficulty finding any footing for scrums with gravity and the mud against them. They held out for a long period before the pressure told and Wells ran in two quick tries, one of which was converted to lead 12-0 at the break.

Early pressure in the second half saw Chris Doel run in for two tries and from then on Chard were dominant, especially at the scrums, and this resulted in a scrum won through a penalty and Josh Lovett

With the kicking specialist off the pitch, the duty went to prop Rich Lovelock who promptly slotted the conversion.

With the bonus point beckoning Chard kept the tempo up and pressure down in the Wells half fi-nally told with a bonus point try through Paul Watson. Lovelock kept up his 100 percent kicking record with the extras.

The 3rds are at home to Cheddar on Saturday

Chard Colts 10 Nailsea & Backwell Colts 50

Somerset Colts League THIS was a much closer game than the final score line suggests with the league leaders from North Somerset scoring 21points in the final 10 minutes

Chard were not helped by having two players sent to the bin, but in truth this was purely because of the players concerned being fully committed to the cause.

Chard had to play with a few younger players and they did the club proud.

Man of the match was Luke Carslake whose defensive tackling throughout was excellent. Scorer Emil Szydelko was

impressive when ever he had the ball and showed a great deal of potential.

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County honour for Oli



LI Collins from Ilminster and Yeovil Bowling Clubs has been named Somerset Under 18 outdoor boy Player of the Year for 2016.

In making the award, James Branfield, Somerset Under 25s Team Manager, highlighted Oli's commitment, dedication and standard of play as all contributing to his success.

Oli, aged 11, one of the youngest to have received the award, plays regularly for Ilminster Bowling Club, and is coached at Yeovil Bowling Club by Mo Monkton and her team.



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